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## Boy Finds Diplomat Sumner Welles Near Death in Lonely Field

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26 (AP)—Former Undersecretary of State Sumner Welles was found in a semi-conscious condition in a suburban Maryland countryside near his estate early today.

Circumstances indicated he may have suffered a heart attack on an after-midnight walk in sub-freezing weather. There were signs, too, that he may have fallen into a nearby creek and collapsed before he could drag himself home.

**Tonight Welles' physician reported him "reacting favorably from shock" and showing "definite improvement," but still in serious condition.**

Friends said he suffered chronically from insomnia and that during the past week he had been deeply upset by the tragic death in New York Dec. 20 of his close personal friend Laurence Duggan. Duggan was killed in a fall or leap from his 16th floor office window.

Duggan was a former State department official and protege of Welles and when after his death his name was linked with the current probe into Communist spy activities in the State department 10 years ago Welles issued a statement defending him as an absolutely loyal government servant.

Welles

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THE 56-YEAR-OLD Welles was found about 8 a. m. (EST) by a 10-year old boy, Robert Kerby, as the boy and his family were returning from mass. He was lying in a field 25 feet off a roadway, near the Kerby home, and about a mile from the Welles estate. Some informants first estimated the spot is two miles from Welles' estate, which is about 10 miles from Washington. His estate, at Oxon Hill, Md, is across the Potomac river from Washington.

Robert Kerby's father, Brooke Kerby, recognized the retired diplomat through having worked for him when the Welles home was under construction.

Brooke Kerby summoned police, and Welles was taken to Casualty hospital here. Late today his condition was still described as serious due to exposure. His fingers and toes were frozen and in such cases there is always the possibility some may have to be amputated. Dr. George R. Huffman, his physician, said.

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HUFFMAN REPORTED that a fur coat Welles was wearing at the time he was found undoubtedly saved him from freezing to death. He was hatless. Welles has "reacted from

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## CAPTURED HEADS OF INDONESIA MOVED BY DUTCH

### U. N. Order to Cease Fire And Release Leaders Ignored by Netherlands

BATAVIA, Java, Dec. 26 (AP)—Dutch authorities were reported today to have moved captured leaders of the Indonesian Republic from Jogjakarta to a secret point in the East Indies.

Informants said President Soekarno and Premier Mohamed Hatta were among those moved. A Dutch Army spokesman said he could neither confirm nor deny the report. The high Republican officials were captured when Jogjakarta, the capital of the Republic, fell soon after the Dutch launched their attack eight days ago.

**The United Nations Security council, in a cease-fire order issued in Paris Friday, told the Dutch to release the captured Republican leaders. The Dutch have not yet replied to the order. Netherlands troops have continued their sweeps through Republican territory.**

The council called on both sides to halt the fighting. Republicans say it will be impossible for the Republic to fulifill cease-fire obligations until Soekarno, Hatta and other leaders are restored to office.

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THIRTEEN POLITICAL prisoners held in Batavia have been released by the Dutch. The top Republican leaders were not included in that group, however.

**The U. N. good offices committee informed the Security council today it will try to observe and report on observance of the cease-fire order. The**

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## Arab Warplanes Bomb Area of Jewish Capital

TEL AVIV, Israel, Dec. 26 (AP)—Arab warplanes bombed an area east of Tel Aviv tonight and reports indicated fighting in the Negev region was intensified

Several bombs were dropped east of the Israeli capital as the new Jewish state went into the second night of a complete and unrestricted blackout. No damage or casualties were reported.

**In the Negev desert region of Southern Palestine, Israeli and Egyptian forces struck at each other from the air and on the ground.**

(In Cairo, Dessouki Abaza Pasha, Egyptian communications minister, told newsmen the battle between Jews and Egyptians has developed into a "general clash." He gave no details of the fighting but said Egypt's military position is "good.")

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AN ISRAELI MILITARY spokesman said merely that military activities were continuing in the Negev.

Today's Israeli version of the fighting is regarded here as intentionally conservative. The Jews have minimized the reports of United Nations observers and Egyptians, who said fighting is widespread and may mark the start of a second Israeli Negev offensive. The first occurred in October.

**A military spokesman conceded the conflict has intensified in some sectors. He reported the fighting has spread farther south than the previous battleground near Nirim, east of the Egyptian frontier post of Rafa. He added that there also is fighting in the area east and southeast of Gaza.**

The spokesman, who declined to call the fighting a Jewish offensive described both sides as aggressive. He said each appeared to have attacked the other about the same number of times.

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THE AIR FORCES OF both sides were active again last night. Egyptian aircraft bombed the coastal plain around Tel Aviv, causing a two-hour air raid alert and a general blackout of Israel for the first time in seven weeks. Recent blackouts have been local.

**The Israeli air force also was out raiding, presumably hitting a front line area.**

U. N. observers at Haifa said bombs as big as 500 pounders appeared to have been used in the fighting. They said they counted

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## *Police Arrest Motorist on Tipsy Charge*

Charged with operating an automobile while under the influence of liquor, Ulysses Griffin, 23, of 618 Green street, was released under $500 bail Saturday following a hearing before Justice of the Peace Raymond C. Kelley, of the Second ward.

**Griffin was arrested by Patrolman Russel B. Hummel at High and Bailey streets early Saturday morning.**

Hummel halted the car after he noticed it zig-zagging eastward along High street. He found Griffin's brother, Giles, of the same address, asleep on the rear seat of the 1942 sedan.

Griffin was taken before Police Physician Harry K. Marcy Jr., who, after an examination, pronounced him unfit to drive. The charges at the hearing were preferred by Hummel.

**READING EX-POSTMASTER DIES**

READING, Dec. 26 (AP)—Horace H. Hammer, 84, former postmaster of Reading for 14 years, died Christmas Day after an illness of several months.

### THE WEATHER

**For Eastern Pennsylvania:** Fair with rising temperature today. Not so cold tonight. Increasing cloudiness and a little warmer tomorrow.

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**TEMPERATURE EXTREMES**

Local temperatures yesterday and early this morning were:

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| 7 a. m. | 12 | 7 p. m. | 15 |
| 8 a. m. | 10 | 8 p. m. | 14 |
| 9 a. m. | 11 | 9 p. m. | 11 |
| 10 a. m. | 13 | 10 p. m. | 10 |
| 11 a. m. | 14 | 11 p. m. | 7 |
| 12 m. | 16 | 12 p. m. | 5 |
| 1 p. m. | 16 | 1 a. m. | 4 |
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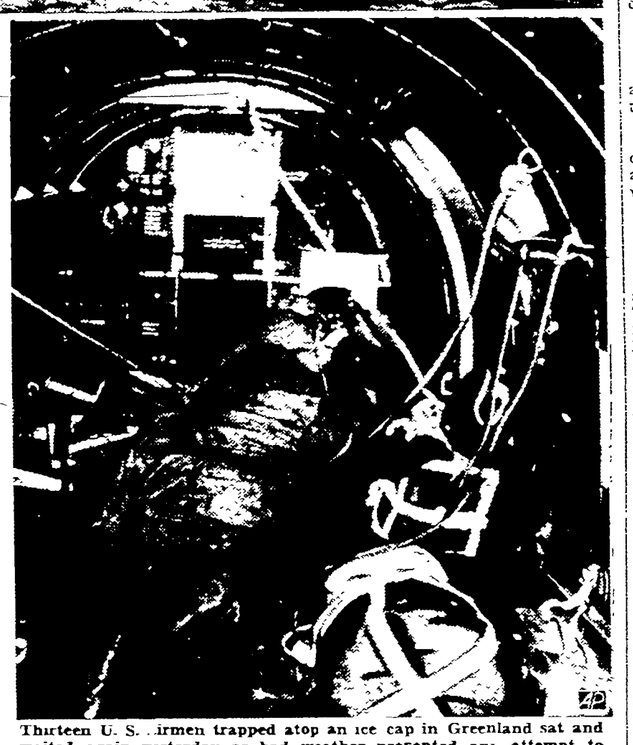
| 3 p. m. | 18 | 3 a. m. | 4 |

### Weather Prevents Their Rescue



**Thirteen U. S. airmen trapped atop an ice cap in Greenland sat and waited again yesterday as bad weather prevented any attempt to rescue them. Shown in top photo is the plane and in lower photo are airmen dropping supplies to the trapped men. The Navy announced yesterday that aid is on the way.**

## CHRISTMAS '48 NORMAL—HAD UPS AND DOWNS

### Fire in Chimney Livens One Home; Water Main Break Keeps Men Busy

Christmas of 1948 now belongs to "the spirit of Christmas past," as Dickens put it.

It wasn't much different from other Christmases but, like them all, it had its ups and downs.

**The "ups," like receiving presents, going to church, greeting friends and being greeted, belonged to most people. Some had it tougher.**

Gene A. Clemens, of 219 South Hanover street, his wife and four children, for instance, had a fire—not where it should have been either.

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WHILE THE WHOLE family was gathered in the living room at 10 o'clock in the morning opening presents, Clemens smelled smoke. He had just fired up his coal furnace in the cellar of the rented home.

A call brought a pumper from the Philadelphia Steam Fire Engine company. The fire, caused by accumulated soot in the furnace chimney in a wall between first and second floors, was put out in minutes by dew gas and CO2.

**The children, Gene, 14, David, 12, Mary Ann, 10, and Susan, 2, quit the presents for a while but got back to it soon after firemen left.**

George Mauger drove the pumper and Assistant Borough Fire Chief Irvin Scheetz directed the operation. Damage was estimated at $25.

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THE FIREMEN WEREN'T the only ones working Christmas day, though.

Borough Manager Dow I. Sears said six borough workers had to interupt their holiday at 11 a. m. to fix a broken water main on King street between Franklin and Evans streets.

**The leak in the six-inch main, described by Sears as "routine" and not caused by the cold, was fixed after three hours' work.**

But the best present of all came to four area couples who became fathers and mothers on Christmas Day.

They were Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Gephart, Pottstown RD 4, a girl in Memorial hospital; Mr. and Mrs. Richard Schaeffer, 24 East Fifth street, a girl, Memorial hospital; Mr. and Mrs. John Shanta, Stowe, a girl, in Pottstown hospital, and Mr. and Mrs. Melvin R. Fick, 25 West High street, Stowe, a boy, in Reading hospital.

Otherwise it was a day of joyful church-going, visits with friends, family get-togethers and the general distribution of cheer.

## Northern California Hit By Heavy Snowstorm

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 26 (AP)—The heaviest snowfall in decades closed all roads into two Northern California towns today, while sand and dust storms forced detours of traffic on Highway 99 into Los Angeles.

Deepening snow made travel to Reno over Donner pass increasingly difficult. Steady rains drenched many other sections of Northern California.

## Woman Stricken in Car, Dies After Yule Visit

Returning from a Christmas dinner with her daughter, Katie B. (Malenke) Burke, 62, of 864 Queen street, was stricken with a heart attack and died moments after admittance to Pottstown hospital.

Driving the car in which she suffered the attack was another daughter, Claire E., of the same address. Both were returning from Christmas dinner with Mrs. Violet Zerbe, Reading.

**Miss Burk said they were approaching Amityville when Mrs. Burk complained of being unable to get her breath. Her daughter stopped the car and the mother got into the back seat of the sedan to lie down.**

Seeing her mother in serious condition, Miss Burk ran into a roadside home for assistance. A man and his wife attempted to give Mrs. Burk aromatic spirits, but she could not inhale them.

The man, whose name Miss Burk believed, was John Knowles, drove the stricken woman and her daughter to the office of Dr Abraham Bernstein, 353 King street.

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DR. BERNSTEIN, Mrs. Burk's physician, ordered her to the hospital. Mrs. Burk died at 4 o'clock, less than five minutes after attendants moved her into the dispensary.

**Born in Lawrenceville (now called Parkerford), she was a daughter of the late Augustus F. and Ella (Gauss) Malenke. Her husband, Alvin, died nine years ago.**

Mrs Burk and her daughter, Claire, had lived at their Queen street address since the past September. Before that they had lived at 526 Chestnut street. Mrs. Burk had lived in Pottstown for the past 25 years.

A housewife all her life, Mrs. Burk had two hobbies—gardening and fine sewing and crocheting.

In addition to her two daughters she is survived by a son, Kenneth D., 1154 Center avenue; two brothers, Amorose and Augustus, both of Parkerford; and four grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock from a Parkerford funeral home. The Rev. Alvin Alderfer will officiate and interment will be in East Coventry Mennonite cemetery.

## Chinese Concede Fall of Kalgan to Communist Troops

NANKING, Dec. 26 (AP)—Loss of Kalgan to the Communists was conceded today by official Chinese sources.

Apparently government forces abandoned that important city 100 miles northwest of Peiping.

This revived speculation in Nanking that Gen. Fu Tso-Yi, government commander in North China, was seeking some sort of deal with the Communists.

**Fu made his reputation by capturing Kalgan from the Communists in September, 1946, when it was their northern capital, second only to Yenan.**

The Reds had announced they took Kalgan and destroyed or captured five divisions there Dec. 24. They also contended Fu had lost 14 divisions—possibly 140,000 men—in 17 days throughout North China. (Such figures customarily are exaggerated, however. The minor scale of fighting in the north would hardly account for such great losses—except for desertion.)

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REPORTS WERE CURRENT that some of Fu's troops were changing sides and that the Communists were moving most of their siege forces from around Peiping to Tientsin. This again stimulated circulation of unconfirmed peace rumors.

On the other hand, as a probable barrier to negotiation, the Communists broadcast a list of "war

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## Christmas Weekend Accidents Claim the Lives of 342 Persons

*By The Associated Press*

Christmas weekend accidents snuffed out the lives of at least 342 persons.

Traffic deaths accounted for 239 of the total. The other 103 persons were killed in a variety of accidents.

**Fires took at least 32 lives. Seven members of a New Brunswick, N. J., family died Christmas Day in a house fire; five Negroes perished at Bessemer, Ala.; a family of six died in a Barre, Mass., fire; a mother and two daughters died in a Terre Haute, Ind., house fire and four persons in a family of five died at Kansas City.**

The number of deaths by states, with traffic deaths listed first, miscellaneous second:

Alabama 3-5, Arizona 2-1, Arkansas 2-0, California 30-10, Colorado 3-1, Florida 4-2, Georgia 5-0, Idaho 1-0, Illinois 14-6, Indiana 14-5, Kansas 1-2, Kentucky 4-0, Louisiana 4-0, Maine 3-0, Maryland 3-5, Massachusetts 4-6, Michigan 15-2, Minnesota 5-0, Mississippi 1-0, Missouri 2-0, Nebraska 0-1, Nevada 2-0, New Hampshire 0-1, New Jersey 2-12, New Mexico 1-0, New York 9-1, North Carolina 4-1, Ohio 19-2, Oklahoma 1-0, Oregon 0-1, Pennsylvania 4-5, Rhode Island 0-1, South Carolina 6-2, Texas 8-2, Utah 1-0, Vermont 5-3, Virginia 3-0, Washington 3-2, West Virginia 1-0, Wisconsin 6-1.

## Tax Equalization Group Lists Session Wednesday

Pottstown Citizens' committee for the equalization of taxes, appointed by Burgess William A. Griffith in 1946, will meet Wednesday night at 7 o'clock in borough hall.

This was announced yesterday.

The committee, credited with having given Pottstown's assessment a fairer base several years ago, was inactive for almost a year. The meeting Wednesday night, members said, probably will be unproductive.

Assessments hardly can be changed before Jan. 1, 1949, when the books must be in the hands of Montgomery county tax officials.

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# Crash Injuries Fatal To Pottstown Youth

## *Pair Held in Virginia Admits to Car Thefts*

Two youths, one who gave his address as Pottstown, were being held by police in Richmond, Va., last night after a series of confessed car thefts in the East.

**The youths were listed by Richmond police as Raymond J. Blais, who told authorities he was from Pottstown, and Harry Thornton, of Phoenixville. Blais did not list a local street address.**

The two young men were being held in Richmond for breaking and entering two service stations there. Their case will come before the January grand jury.

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CONFESSIONS TO THE theft of two automobiles from this area—one belonging to Thomas Stauffer, New and Penn streets, Spring City, and the other to Wilfrid L. Mattis, Phoenixville—came after the pair was arrested in Richmond.

**Police Chief Fred K. MacInnis, of Phoenixville, had placed a description of the cars on the police teletype system. When he had been notified that the youths were apprehended in Richmond, he asked police there to question them on the theft of the cars.**

The youths reportedly confessed the theft of the Stauffer vehicle, a jeep delivery truck, from the owner's garage on the morning of Dec. 5. They abandoned the jeep in the vicinity of the Mattis home in Phoenixville, where they took the Mattis car and started their trip toward Richmond.

Then, the youths admitted, they abandoned the Mattis car in West Chester and hitch-hiked to Washington, D. C., where they stole another car and drove to Richmond.

## Area Shivers as Cold Wave Sends Mercury to 4 Above

The weatherman must have looked at the map upside down.

It was a white Christmas, but not from the snow he predicted over the holiday.

Instead, a shivering blast from Canada sent the mercury inching down to nine degrees Sunday morning and at 1 o'clock this morning it was hitting four degrees, with lower temperatures possible.

**It was the first major cold snap of the Winter. But it did surprisingly little damage.**

No pipes were reported frozen. Borough Manager Dow I. Sears said frost was only three or four inches deep in the ground and water pipes would be damaged only if the snap stays on a week or two.

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THE WEATHERMAN saw it differently, though. It will be fair with rising temperatures today and cloudy and warmer tomorrow. Tonight will be warmer, too, he said.

Towing services reported no rush calls from persons with frozen cars and hospitals said no one showed up all day with a frozen pinky.

**The cold wave began Christmas Day when a strong wind barreled in from the North. Pottstown got one fierce, brief snow flurry which looked like the onslaught of a blizzard but it faded fast.**

A strong wind blew all Christmas night, easing into a fresh breeze yesterday. The wind didn't hurt ice skating, because the top skim had frozen before it started. But the cold thickened ice to three or more inches.

It was cold in Pottstown last night but it was colder elsewhere. Howard G. Seibold, South Coventry constable, reported that the mercury at his Bucktown home stood at one below last night at 10:30 o'clock.

## Well, Dog-gone It, It Was Too Cold

**Yesterday's cruel cold found one victim. It was a small, friendly Bull pup.**

**Cast somehow upon the bleak world yesterday, the pup set up a squall on a step of a Penn Village home. The householder called the police.**

**Last night in the warm desk room, "Homeless Joe" had found what he wanted — warmth and friends. Police plan to turn him over to a pet shop owner today to help find the orphan a permanent home.**

## *Local Man Dies After Fall Down Flight of Stairs*

Injuries suffered in a fall down a flight of stairs in his home the past Friday resulted in the death yesterday morning of Peter J. Olock, 65, of 447 Laurel street.

Olock died at 8:30 o'clock in Memorial hospital where he was rushed immediately after he fell at 2 o'clock Friday afternoon.

**Born in Austria, a son of the late Joseph Olock, he came to the United States 30 years ago and had resided in Stowe and Pottstown. He was a retired laborer, having been employed last by W. R. Crossdale, local contractor. He retired two years ago.**

His wife, Violet Olock died in November, 1946. He is survived by the following daughters: Mrs. Margaret Yanocha, Linfield; Mary, at home; Julia, wife of Stanley Falicki, 1009 Industrial avenue, and Helen and Suzanne, at home. Surviving sons are: Paul, Andrew and Steve, at home, and John, of Philadelphia.

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A MEMBER of St. John's Catholic church of the Greek Rite, Olock was also a member of the Falcons Athletic club of that church.

Funeral services will be held Thursday from the family residence, at 8:15 a. m., with Solemn Requiem Mass at 9 o'clock in St. John's Greek Catholic church. The Rev. John D. Taptich, rector, will officiate. Interment will be made in St. John's cemetery.

## Two Cars Collide, Drivers Are Unhurt

Crossing High street from the Howard Johnson parking lot to Beech street, a car driven by Oscar Davidheiser, Pottstown RD 1, was sideswiped Saturday night by a car driven by Clements Ross, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Davidheiser had just left the parking lot and was crossing the intersection when his car was struck by Ross' which was traveling west on High street.

Patrolman Paul Galloway reported no one was injured in the collision, although both cars were damaged. The time of the accident was placed at 8:15 o'clock.

## DRIVER OF AUTO DIES FOLLOWING 3-WAY MISHAP

### William G. Zimmerman Is Victim; Operator of Second Vehicle Charged

William G. Zimmerman, 22-year-old truck driver who was hurled from his skidding car Friday afternoon in a three-car accident, died at 5:18 o'clock Saturday afternoon.

Death, from a combination of internal injuries and a fractured skull, came in Memorial hospital where the youth had laid unconscious in an oxygen tent since the accident.

Zimmerman lived at 709 Beech street.

**The charge against Marvin F. Heller, 34, of Pottstown RD 3, one of the drivers involved, was immediately changed from drunken driving to involuntary manslaughter. The bail was boosted from $1500 to $2500.**

Heller, out on bail, will be brought before Justice of the Peace Raymond C. Kelley tonight at 7 o'clock for a preliminary hearing.

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THE ACCIDENT occurred at 12:40 o'clock Friday afternoon at High street and Moser road. Zimmerman and Heller, were driving their cars west on High street.

As Zimmerman passed Heller, Zimmerman's car skidded out of control on a wet spot and veered into the opposite lane of traffic where it struck a car driven by the Rev. Ethelbert B. Yost, YMCA, whose car was then struck again by Heller's car.

**Both Zimmerman and a passenger, Robert F. Bergstresser, Royersford, were catapulted onto the highway. Bergstresser's injuries were relatively slight.**

An autopsy, ordered by Montgomery County Coroner Winslow J. Rusbong last night, revealed the extent of Zimmerman's injuries.

In addition to a fracture of the base of the skull and the pelvis, he suffered a ruptured liver and spleen, contusion of the right kidney, internal body pressure and pressure on the brain, internal bleeding and deep shock.

Within an hour after he was admitted, plasma had been administered. Transfusions were given later. One of the blood donors was the youth's father, Earl B. Zimmerman, who lives on Route 422 west of Stowe.

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THREE DOCTORS tried to save the young driver's life. They were Drs. Andrew McKane of Boyertown, Caesar F. Sarni and William Brown,

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## Pedestrian Injured After Falling Into Path of Automobile

A pedestrian, struggling up a roadside snow bank in Collegeville Christmas afternoon, was injured when he fell back into the path of a moving car.

Paul Mustante, young Norristown veteran, suffered lacerations of the scalp and possible fracture of the skull. He was admitted to Montgomery county hospital, Norristown.

**Lower Providence Police Chief David J. Burns, who investigated, said the youth had staggered across route 422 at the eastern approach of the Perkiomen creek bridge and began climbing a plowed snow bank.**

A. G. Carver, 69, Norristown, driving west on the highway, told Burns he was going between 15 and 20 miles per hour when his car struck the youth.

Mustante was hit by the right front fender of the vehicle. He was treated at the scene by Dr. R. K. Glocker, Royersford, and taken to the hospital in a Montgomery hospital ambulance.

Carver was not held. The accident occurred at 3:40 o'clock.

## Immigrant Whose Family Locked Behind 'Iron Curtain,' Dies at 69

Lucian Krosninnutzy, 69, almost all of whose family have disappeared behind Russia's iron curtain, died Christmas afternoon at 12:45 o'clock in the home of his sister, Mrs. Dora Phillips, Vine and Walnut street, Stowe.

**The retired scrap metal worker succumbed to a heart attack. He retired 18 years ago from his job as foreman of a scrap metal plant in New York city because of a heart condition and had been confined to bed since the past May.**

Mrs. Phillips, with whom he had lived for all but six years since he came to this country from the Ukraine in 1912, was the only member of his immediately family not cloaked in Russian secrecy.

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BEFORE THE WAR, Krosninutzy heard from his family at intervals. He learned that one of his sons, John, was with the Russian air force. Since the war all letters either have been returned unopened or have been unanswered.

Because his native town of Szyrzum, near Kharkov, was overrun four times by German armies, the elderly man was not sure whether his wife and four children were dead or restrained by censorship.

**Originally he had planned to bring them to this country after**

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Assorted colors Rytex Printed Stationery. Mercury Office.

Watches, Diamonds, Wedding Rings Levin's, High and Hanover streets.

Diamonds, Wedding Rings. Chas. Longacre, Jeweler, 17 N. Hanover.

Phillips Grocery Store closed Monday and Tuesday. Death in family.

### ON THE MAIN DRAG

**MABEL STROCK**
—waiting at the station for a friend.

**BILL KIRBY**
—rushing to the Birdsboro hills.

**ROBERT SCHEIDT**
—perspiring on court witness stand.

**JAMES FOLK**
—spending holidays in Palmerton.

**REV. THEODORE L. FISCHER**
—clearing ice from parsonage sidewalk.

**DANIEL BRUNISH**
—playing Santa Claus.

**PAUL JONES**
—decorating a Christmas float.

**JOHN SULLIVAN**
—serenading on Christmas Day.

**MILDRED SHINEHOUSE**
—carrying a Christmas package.

**MAURICE MOSHEIM**
—inspecting ice on his pool.

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# Clay Announces Creation of Board To Insure German Disarmament

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GEN. CLAY

BERLIN, Dec. 26 (AP)—Gen. Lucius D. Clay said tonight the three Western occupation powers have reached substantial agreement on the creation of a "military security board" for Germany. It would see that Germany does not rearm.

**Clay, the U. S. military governor, said in a radio interview that the United States, Britain and France have been working on creation of such a board. Up to now the discussions have been top secret.**

He said the "military governors have reached substantial agreement on the duties of a military security board." Other sources disclosed that the board is intended to make sure Germany stays disarmed after the military governments cease to function.

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AS THE THREE powers military governments in Western Germany are reduced, the military security board will take over many of their functions in a supervisory capacity. The board is expected to have military inspection police who will find out any violations of disarmament regulations.

Clay said Europe is returning to economic and political stability "which make for a long peace."

**Answering a question as to whether the Western powers should arm a strong German police force, Clay said "the size of the police force should be limited to local needs" and that it should be armed only with light caliber revolvers and carbines.**

Clay added that Western German recovery "has been amazing" since last June's currency reform but that the three zones are still far from becoming self-sufficient.

"The deficit between imports essential to life and exports, being borne by the United States during the present fiscal year, exceeds $1,000,000,000," he said. "While this deficit will be substantially less during the next fiscal year, there will remain a large deficit for several years."

## ARMY CRITICIZED FOR LESSENING KOCH SENTENCE

### Senate Group Suggests New Trials for Widow Of Buchenwald Leader

WASHINGTON, Dec 26 (AP) — Investigating senators held today that Army officials made a serious mistake in reducing the life sentence of Ilse Koch, widow of a commander of the notorious Nazi Buchenwald concentration camp, to four years.

**But they agreed with Army leaders that Gen. Lucius M. Clay, American military governor in occupied Germany, should not reverse himself now and increase the sentence. That would be adopting Nazi tactics, senators said.**

The subcommittee urged military officials to find another charge on which Frau Koch should be brought to justice in a United States Military court."

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IF THIS is impossible, it said, Frau Koch should be tried in German courts "for crimes committed against German nationals."

**"Although it is unfortunate that it may be necessary for military authorities to adopt this course, it is, at the same time highly important that Ilse Koch receive the punishment she so justly deserves without doing further violence to long-established safeguards of Democratic justice, the report said and added:**

"The error in the Koch case is an isolated blemish on the vigilance and certainty of this Democratic justice. Its repetition must be prevented."

Lurid testimony about use of tattooed human skin from Buchenwald prisoners to make lampshades, book covers, knife sheaths and even gloves was released by the Senate group along with its official recommendations.

## *President Eats Big Yule Dinner At Independence*

INDEPENDENCE, Mo., Dec 26 (AP) —President Truman ate his way through a heaping serving of his second "Christmas dinner" today after a slippery, mile and one-half stroll in near-zero weather.

He, Mrs. Truman, and their daughter, Margaret, bundled up for the 18-mile drive over ice-coated roads to Grandview, where they ate turkey and the trimmings with his brother's family. At nine a. m. (EST) the President took his regular before-breakfast walk. The official temperatures was nine degrees at the time. The President walked for about 20 minutes. He stopped to point out a home on Waldo street where he lived as a boy. The house recently was modernized. In order to give photographers an idea of what it looked like when he lived in it, he posed in front of the house next door, which retains the appearance of the old Truman house.

The walk was uneventful except for a near-spill. At one slippery spot in the road Secret Service escorts grabbed his arm to prevent a possible fall, but the President never lost his stride.

## ECONOMISTS ASK FAIR WAGE RULE AS 'STABILIZER'

### Truman Advisors Seek Parley of Management And Labor to Set Guide

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26 (AP)—The President's council of economic advisors today suggested that a new national labor-management conference might lead to a "fair wage" standard as a guide for bargaining and a stabilizer for business.

**The council made its third annual report to President Truman. It stressed that such a wage standard could not be binding on unions or employers, nor could it erase the need for Federal intervention in "national emergency" strikes. But it told Mr. Truman that the development of a pattern of standards might so brighten the outlook for voluntary settlement that the need for compulsion "would be rare indeed."**

It declared: "The value of collective bargaining as the machinery to maintain labor peace and economic stability would be enhanced in considerable degree if it were possible to propose a standard of a fair wage—related to a given price structure—which would be at all acceptable."

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THE COUNCIL said that vague pleas for "moderation" from industry and labor will be useless unless unions and management have confidence—"based upon deeds and not promises" that the Government is using every resource to maintain maximum output, employment, and buying power.

**"The haunting fear of another depression must be removed," the council specified.**

"So long as it overhangs no group can be expected to surrender its immediate prospects of gain in favor of a future that is too hazy and threatening to be relied upon."

The report is a general policy statement by the three-member council headed by Edwin G. Nourse. It sets the background for the council's confidential report to Mr. Truman on which he will base his economic message to Congress expected January 7 or 8.

The council asserted that the Employment Act of 1946, which created the council and is designed to steer the country away from both booms and busts, needs no amending by the new Congress.

**FILM PRODUCER DIES**

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif., Dec 26 (AP)—Frederick Ullman Jr., 45, motion picture producer, died at his home here today, apparently of a heart attack.

## GOP 'Progressive' Group Opposes Slate; Asks Delay in Picking Leaders in Senate

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SENATOR MILLIKEN

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26 (AP)—New evidence of a probable feud over Republican leadership in the Senate came to the surface today.

Several GOP senators who call themselves liberals or progressives have requested a delay in picking party leaders in the new senate.

**They have written Senator Millikin (R-Colo), who is chairman of the conference that includes all Republican senators, requesting a five-day advance written notice on the organization session.**

Confirming this, Millikin told a reporter today he has reached no decision on the request.

"Careful consideration is being given to these letters," Millikin said. "In any event, there certainly will be ample notice of the organization conference."

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MILLIKIN declined to reveal authors of the unusual request, saying they should identify themselves. It was learned, however, that Senator Morse (R-Ore) is one of the group.

Some of the group are said to be opposed to a reported slate of Republican leaders for the new Senate.

**This listed Senator Taft of Ohio to continue as policy committee chairman, Senator Vandenberg of Michigan to head the GOP conference, Millikin to serve as floor leader for the minority, and Senator Wherry of Nebraska to continue as assistant floor leader and whip.**

This quartet has been in frequent conference but Taft told a reporter that any such "slate was pure speculation."

"There can be no slate until all Republicans who will sit in the next Senate arrive here and exchange ideas," he said.

It is known that some of the self-tabbed liberals are anxious to see a new floor leader for the party in the Senate. They talk about Senators Lodge of Massachusetts, Knowland of California or Baldwin of Connecticut.

**WIFE HELD IN SLAYING**

PHILADELPHIA, Dec 26 (AP)—Mrs. Marie Hurst, 24, was held without bail for court yesterday charged with the butcher-knife slaying of her husband, Alvin, 28, after an argument in their North Philadelphia home. Magistrate Thomas A. Connor refused to set bail.

## *Christmas Day Deaths of Four Laid to Heater*

BIG BEAR, Calif., Dec. 26 (AP)—Surrounded by tinsel, holly and unopened packages, a young Santa Barbara physician and three members of his family were found dead today—victims of a Christmas mystery in their mountain cabin.

First investigation shed little light on the cause of death but Sheriff's Dep. Kendall Stone said it was quite possible the four died of carbon monoxide poisoning from a gas heater. The officer said snow may have stopped up the vents.

Those found dead were Dr. Jerome G. Schnedorf, 35; his son, Tommy, 3, his daughter, Judy, 8, and his mother, Mrs. Josephine Schnedorf, 64.

The bodies were discovered by the doctor's wife, Mrs. Mary Margaret Schnedorf, early today. She and another child, Jerry, 10, were sleeping in a rear bedroom and were the only ones who survived.

At first it was reported that the physician's wife was not ill but later she was examined and found to be suffering from some ailment, deputies said. Jerry was in a serious condition and was taken to San Bernardino County hospital.

## Clark Says Duggan Was Not Connected With Red Spy Ring

WASHINGTON, Dec 26 (AP)—Attorney General Tom C. Clark said tonight that no connection has been found between the late Laurence Duggan, former State department official and "any espionage or giving of documents" from the department.

Clark made the comment during an interview arranged by the magazine Newsweek.

The attorney general said that Duggan, who fell to his death the last week from a Manhattan office building, had been interrogated by the FBI about ten days before.

But Clark emphasized that such an interrogation did not imply any wrongdoing.

"He gave us some leads," Clark said, "but we have found no connection between him and any espionage or the giving of documents from the State department."

## Attempt to Get NLRB In Labor Department Meets Resistance

WASHINGTON, Dec 26 (AP)—Strenuous fights are developing over the Labor department's efforts to pull the National Labor Relations board and the Federal mediation service under its wing.

Labor department officials have recommended that both agencies be placed in the department for "house-keeping purposes"—leaving the NLRB independent in its judicial rulings and the mediation service free to be impartial in labor disputes.

They made no public statements on the matter, but White House officials are well aware of their position. And the position of top officials in both agencies is strongly against entering the Labor department for any purposes whatever.

Congress must ultimately decide what to do about it.


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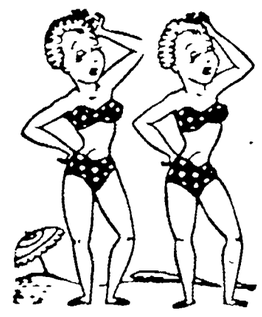

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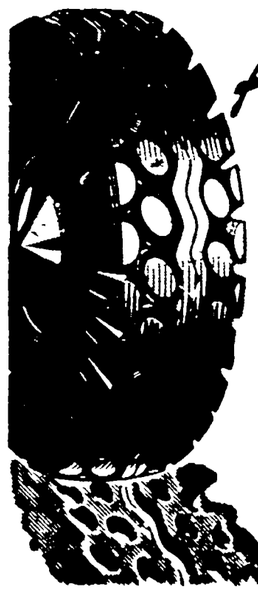

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**HANNAH M. (BERTOLET) BROOKE**, 75, widow of Robert G. Brooke, of **SCHWENKVILLE RD** (near Thurville) died at the home of her nephew, Fred W. Houck at 30 East Mechan avenue, Mt. Airy, where she resided the past six months

She was a native of New Hanover township, daughter of the late Samuel and Malinda (Houck) Brooke and was a member of Camp 46 P. D. of A., Bechtelsville, and Swamp Lutheran church, New Hanover.

Her husband died about four years ago

There survive three children, Walter LeRoy Brooke of Manila, Philippine Islands; Helen W Brooke, St. Louis, Mo; and Evelyn C., wife of Henry Ludwig, Schwenkville RD, also three grandchildren.

She was the last for her family. Services will be held from a funeral home at 124 West Philadelphia avenue Boyertown, on Wednesday at 2 p m

The Rev. William R. Snaud, pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran church, Schwenksville, will officiate

Interment will be made in Falkner Swamp cemetery, New Hanover.

**MARGARET R. (NEE HUGHES) MYERS**, 56, wife of Charles Myers, of **SPRING MOUNT**, died on Saturday in Memorial hospital.

Born in Philadelphia, she was a daughter of Mrs. Sophia Hughes and the late Frank Hughes. She was an active member of St. John's Lutheran church, Sumneytown.

Besides her husband and mother, she is survived by the following children: Laura, wife of Vernon Wardle, Pennsburg RD; Helen, wife of Ernest Miller, Sumneytown; Lawrence, Spring Mount; Florence, wife of Roy Hillegass, Red Hill; Dorothy, wife of Laverne Long, Spring Mount; Robert, Spring Mount, and Ruth, wife of George Barnsley, Philadelphia; also by 15 grandchildren; two sisters, Mrs. Robert McAlpine, Philadelphia, and Mrs Russell Hibbs, Trenton, N. J., and a brother, Frank Hughes, Trenton, N J

Funeral services will be held on Wednesday at 2 p m in St. John's Lutheran church, Sumneytown with the Rev. E. L. Angstadt, officiating. Interment will be made in the adjoining cemetery.

## Pacific Sailors' Union Meets to Settle Dispute

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec 26 (AP)—Talks to resolve a dispute which already has resulted in the delay of several ship departures will be resumed tomorrow

Representatives of the AFL Sailors union of the Pacific will meet with the Pacific American Shipowners association over demands for wage increases ranging from $20 to $60 a month in various classifications the employers have offered from $16 to $35

Saturday night the Matson freighter Hawaiian Packer left for Honolulu after being delayed since Friday by temporary refusals of crew members to sign on.

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## U. S. Employs 2 Million, Government Report Says

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26 (AP) — The government civilian work force at home rose 16,400 last month to a total of 1,896,000.

Reporting this today, the Civil Service commission noted that the capital itself had 211,000 at work to start December, up 1600 in a month The figures are for executive departments and agencies

Inside and outside the country, the employment total hit 2,100,200

**18 DROWN IN AUSTRALIA**

SYDNEY, Dec. 26 (AP) — Eighteen persons drowned and one man was eaten by a shark today as Australians flocked to the beaches to escape the mid-Summer heat.

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## Parked Car Damaged, Motorist Drives On

The right front and rear fenders of a parked car owned by Matthew R. Zessi, 20 West Fifth street, were damaged Saturday afternoon when the vehicle was struck by a passing car.

According to Zessi, who reported the accident to Desk Sgt. Anthony H. Herman at borough hall, the operator of the moving car stopped, inspected the damage, and then drove on.

## 15 Companies Fight Blaze As Old Town Hall Burns

SMYRNA, Del., Dec. 26 (AP)—A fire caused by defective wiring last night destroyed the 75-year-old town hall here. Police Chief John W. Jacobs Jr., estimated damage at $100,000

The three-story structure built originally as an opera house, housed Smyrna's city offices as well as the public library.

Fifteen fire companies battled the blaze three hours in below freezing temperatures.


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## Dog Disappears After Being Struck by Auto

J. Vasleki, of 552 West street, is wondering what happened to the dog he said he hit yesterday morning on Grant street.

He came to police headquarters to report the incident to police but when he and Patrolman Joseph Thees returned to the spot, the animal had disappeared.

Vasleki told police he believed the dog was badly injured.

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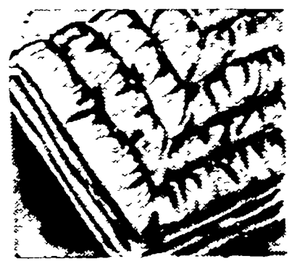

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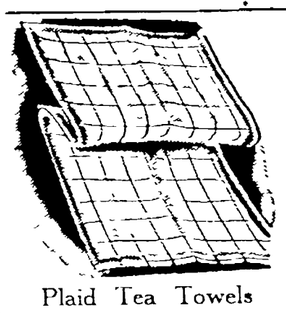

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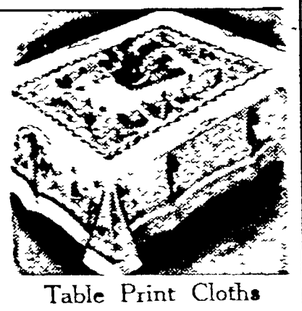

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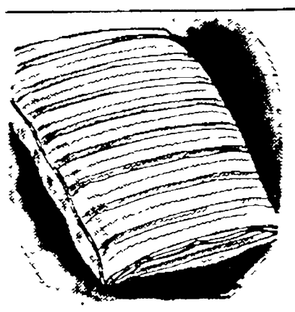

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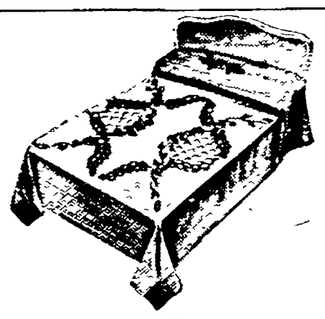

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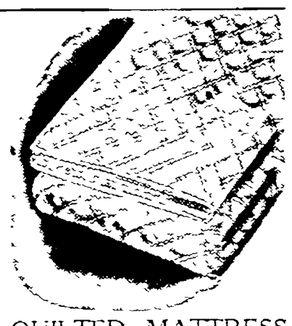

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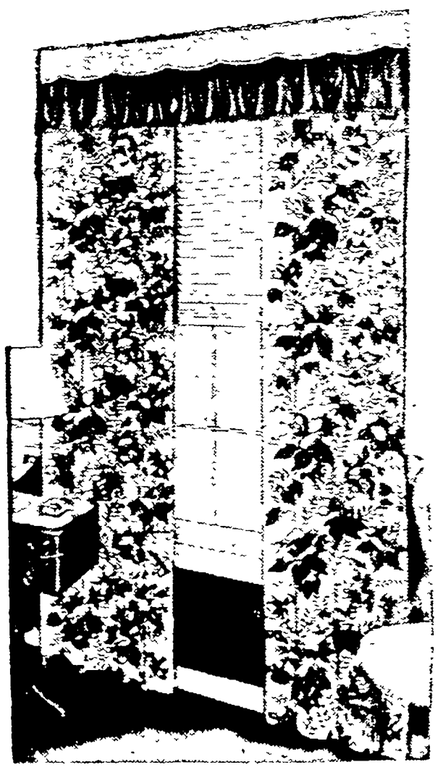

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*Those who want much, are always much in need; happy the man to whom God gives with a sparing hand what is sufficient for his wants.—Horace.*

## Week of Introspection

THE custom of making New Year's resolutions is as much out of date as a magic lantern. But we are reminded of this ancient custom as we enter the last week of 1948.

Man's mad rush for wealth and his lust for power overshadow his pursuit of health, happiness and contentment. Man's selfish habits do not seem to diminish as the numerals denoting the world's age increase.

Man has always known he brought nothing into the world and can take nothing out of it, but that knowledge does not lessen his desire for selfish conquests. In civilization's wild haste the selfish pace leaves little time for resolutions on the day starting a new calendar year.

What a New Year this would be if by some magic power the people of this world could have the morbid desire to search for and listen to the worst of man transformed into an equal desire to hear and repeat the better side of life! Why does bad news travel faster than good news?

An employe delights to hear his employer villified, when he should, if such are his feelings, give up his job and seek an employer he considers worthy of his praise. The love of scandal, the desire for slander and the delight in the misery of others are a cancerous growth even in as literate a nation as this.

Divorce nets tongues never heard to delight over happy marriage waggling, as they take an unholy glee in seeing two souls wrecked to be followed by public discussion. A boy gone wrong evokes more comment than the boy who wins a scholarship. The automobile accident becomes a better story if alcoholic drink gives it a scandalous hue. The desire to hear the worst deafens the ears in time to all that is good.

Why expect world peace until men can be at peace with one another? Brain power has yet to dominate animal power. The desire for conquest is no less strong today than when warfare was the chief industry. Only the implements employed are different.

It is perhaps futile to ask people to lay down the yardstick of dollars and cents and measure a man by his character—but if such a suggestion were followed it would constitute a great resolution for this New Year Day in the year one thousand, nine hundred and forty-nine.

## AN 'E" Just for Effort

YOU can't help giving some of the G.O.P. master minds an "E' for effort. They lost the election, but they don't seem to be too discouraged about that. It just means that they will have to be more resourceful to have their way in Congress. So they have thought up a dandy.

A few of them have warned the Democrats not to start anything new when they organize the eighty-first session. Tradition must be respected; and tradition includes the seniority rule. Even though they have the right to do so, let the Democrats not think about bumping some old-timer out of a committee chairmanship.

Many of these old-timers, of course, are Southern Bourbons. They are men who might be much more ready to make common cause with a Republican opposition than with the men who really won a mandate from the voters. Given a G.O.P. minority and a few Bourbons, including the chairman, on a committee, and the real majority might find itself out-voted. Then the Eighty-first Congress would not be so very different from the Eightieth. And due deference would have been paid to tradition.

Yes, the idea is worth that "E" for effort; but if the Democrats fail for it, they certainly will flunk the course.

## It Will Stretch

BRITAIN has sent us 25,000 tons of rubber under the ECA agreement to supply us with as much strategic war material as possible in return for aid. We are grateful.

Rubber that will stretch is better than rubber I. O. U's that can only bounce.

## Grampaw Oakley

PUNKIN CORNERS,
December 26.

Editor, The Mercury,
Dear Sir 'n' Brother:

Wal, there's only one week of 1948 left. Now we'll have to read insane stories, like the best dressed man of the year stuff. Why doesn't the underworld select a "bum of the year"?

A relief from all those billions-for-this and billions-for-that news stories, however, is Pottstown's wrangle over the proposed increased bus fares. Some say it isn't fair, it's foul.

And say: You may as well start training now for those biggest of headaches: The New Year's parties and the Christmas bills that'll be in just a week from today.

Hopin' you air the same,
GRAMPAW NED OAKLEY

## READERS SAY:

The name and complete address of the author must accompany every contribution but on request will not be published. Letters not exceeding 250 words will receive preference.

# He's Got an Idea on Building Ice Skating Rink

### Quick, Inexpensive Way

**To the Editor:** I'm sure it wouldn't be much trouble, nor expense, to pump some of the Manatawny creek water onto the flats in the park just north of West King street. This would make an excellent skating rink.

This would have to be done after the ground surface has frozen to allow for a minimum amount of seepage.

The Boy Scouts, who have shown an interest in a skating rink by clearing weeds from the old tennis courts, would keep it cleared of snow, I'm sure.

All this gas about spending a lot of money on an ice skating rink should be converted into energy to go ahead and do the job.

Pottstown RODNEY B.

### Case of Phony Progress

**To the Editor:** Recently in your paper saw an ad for some electric company. It was all about some gadget which would turn on a stove automatically while no one was in the house. The purpose, as set forth in the ad, was to lengthen the afternoon bridge sessions for women and relieve them of anxiety about starting the evening meal.

At first this sounded all right to me—science taking another grope forward and all that. After thinking it over, I am now of the opinion that this thing is another Trojan Horse of modern life, a Pearl Harbor of the kitchen.

In the first place the bridge playing time of American women should certainly not be increased or encouraged in any way. Right now they are letting their children grow up on the streets and in juvenile courts because of all this bridge-playing.

Secondly, anxiety over the evening meal should not be removed or alleviated. Women should think more about the preparation of meals. They should be more concerned about meals than about bridge.

Thirdly, even if this device does begin meals, eventually the woman must leave her bridge party to get the food off the stove before it burns. So the device really has solved no problem. You may give a woman an extra hour or two hours or more and when her time is up she will still be late leaving.

Fourthly, I am convinced that this thing will lead to nothing but burned meals and, in the long run, burned-down houses. It is just another example of the phony and spurious "progress" we have been having in this country lately.

Linfield BILL

### Privileged Drivers?

**To the Editor:** Some people think they are privileged to park anywhere on the streets of Pottstown.

I drive in to Pottstown to work every morning on North Charlotte street and regularly run into this:

1. Milk trucks stopped on the wrong side of the street—sometimes within several feet of an intersection, completely tieing up traffic in one direction.

2. Mail trucks stopped at angles right in the middle of an intersection.

What a jerk burg! This couldn't happen in Boyertown.

Boyertown GEORGE S.

### Where Has Congress Been?

**To the Editor:** I see by the papers that Congress has gotten around to investigating auto dealers that have demanded and received from $300 to $1000 premium payment on the sale of new cars, either directly, or through an advantageous trade-in or by the excessive pricing of accessories.

Where have they been for the past two years? All they had to do was to ask any ex-GI who placed his name on a waiting list after the war ended (and who couldn't afford to pay the excess amount), and they would get all the information they need.

Oh yes, and while I'm at it, how about the automobile manufacturers who have just come out piously with price lists and the types of accessories that go with each model, now that the automobile market is slowly turning into a buyers' market? By their actions (or lack of actions) those who condoned the above practices are just as guilty as their distributors.

Pottstown JOE NOVAK

### Real Santa Not Insured

**To the Editor:** A helicopter-riding Santa Claus at a carnival has been insured for $10,000.

This shows the inferiority of the synthetic to the real thing. Dunder and Blitzen are so much more sure footed in the air than any man-made contrivance, that nobody ever thought of them having an accident.

Not even the most avid insurance agent ever tried to sell the real Santa a policy. If one did, he'd just chuckle and shout, "On Prancer, on Dancer!"

Boyertown SALLY

### Christmas Tree Bulbs

**To the Editor:** A small matter but typical of many similar incidents in distribution is the yearly problem of replacing Christmas tree light bulbs. For the past three years I have found it necessary to buy complete light sets in order to obtain the bulbs. As an alternative the dealer will strip the bulbs from the cord and sell bulbs only at a price equal to the cost of the complete set.

Boyertown L. M. W.

### Give Him Time

**To the Editor:** J. Caesar Petrillo henceforth will allow Americans to have new phonograph records after paying a tax to his union. Our Caesar is more moderate than the Caesar of the Biblical Christmas story who decreed that "all the world shall be taxed" but give him time, and he may put the bite on UN.

Pottstown FIDDLIN' PHIL

## WASHINGTON

# Tobin Faces Barriers In 'New' Labor Dep't.

By RAY TUCKER

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26 — Secretary Maurice J. Tobin banks on his tremendous popularity around the White House to aid him in rebuilding the now decrepit Labor department into one of the most powerful units of the government. But his expansive program will face heavy opposition on Capitol Hill.

Maurice Tobin

The handsome and energetic Bostonian, who endeared himself to the President by accepting a Cabinet offer at a time when it appeared that he might be out of work next Jan. 20, makes no bones about his plan to make his department an all-out, pro-labor headquarters instead of an impartial referee in disputes between the workers and management.

'I want a department," he said recently, "in which all Federal laws are administered. I want a department that will be what Samuel Gompers wanted it to be — labor's voice in the President's councils."

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**MACHINE:** Among the agencies which Secretary Tobin wants to bring under his wing are the U. S. Employment Service board, the Federal Mediation and Conciliation service, the Bureau of Immigration and Naturalization, and the Bureau of Mines insofar as its activities relate to workers' safety.

**Most of these units are now independent or herded under other agencies such as Federal Security and Interior.**

If Mr. Tobin can magnetize them into his organization, which is now only a shell as a result of pruning by recent Congresses, he will have the second most politically powerful machine at the Nation's capital. Agriculture would still rank first, a title which it won in the Nov. 2 election.

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**PARTISANSHIP:** Union labor leaders will back Secretary Tobin in his demand for more power. It is probable that President Truman will go along with them because he is eternally grateful for the labor turnout on election day. He still figures that urban factory workers were responsible for his victory.

However, there will be stiff resistance on Capitol Hill to transforming this department into a labor annex, as Mr. Tobin plans. That unit is admittedly labor-minded now.

Mr. Tobin boasts of his partisanship to the unions, as few of his predecessors have done. He regards himself, perhaps rightly, as their spokesman in the presidential family, just as the Secretary of Commerce and the Secretary of Agriculture are supposed to speak up for industry and the farmers, respectively.

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**CONCILIATION:** Moving the Federal Mediation and Conciliation service and the National Labor Relations board into such an admittedly pro-labor department, however, might embitter relations between labor and management and produce industrial strife rather than peace.

NLRB now administers the Taft-Hartley Act, and will presumably supervise the operation of any substitute legislation. Both units are now independent bodies.

Both the NLRB and the Conciliation service, under the direction of Cyrus S. Ching, former vice president and labor relations expert of the United States Rubber company, have won the confidence of management, whose co-operation is essential in ironing out industrial difficulties and in settling disputes.


FLOWERS FOR THE LIVING

For
MISS MARY
ELIZABETH WISMER
Rahn's Hill,
Pottstown RD 4
BECAUSE she became engaged to Mr. Richard Smith Riegner over the Christmas holiday.

# The Voice of Broadway

By DOROTHY KILGALLEN

### Broadway Bulletin Board

FILM STAR ANGELA Lansbury and English actor Peter Shaw have decided to marry in late January or early February, 1949 . . . Broadway producers have been paging Teresa Wright to do a local drama since the news of her split with Sam Goldwyn was recorded on the news pages. She's in a mood for the footlights, too . . .

Teresa Wright

A famous baritone is worried because his voice is slowly turning tenor . . . Friends are trying to persuade Mrs. Vincent Sheean to join the famous author for a New Year's Eve reconciliation in India . . .

Hollywood insiders hear Jane Wyman's "loanout" price per picture has jumped to $175,000 since she became a not Academy Award contender for her performance in "Johnny Belinda." . . .

The Virginia Field-Paul Douglas romance flopped in its return engagement. Head man in her life is Irv Squires, the textile tycoon . . . Is Juliana of Holland expecting another baby? That's the rumor in royal circles. She and Prince Bernhard already have four daughters.

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ONE OF THE country's biggest movie chains tested a car giveaway to bolster its dying box office attendance, and results were encouraging, so the custom may become nationwide in the very near future. Plans are to spot the automobile prizes on the nights television competition is strongest. (Like Milton Berle night!) . . .

**Aly Khan's close friends report that his two young sons have made it clear to him they "don't want a new mama"—even though the new mama Aly contemplates is Rita Hayworth. . .**

Stuart Barthelmess, who used to date Sonja Henie, now swoons over Sunny Ingram . . . A near-suicide on the Queen Mary was hushed. The youth involved, a well known socialite, was about to hurtle the rail when he was grabbed by an alert ship's officer, and is now under doctors' care. His trouble is the torch he's carrying for a recently married debutante.

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ERROL FLYNN is threatening to grow a be-bopper goatee . . . Bill Callahan, the handsome dancing juvenile in "As The Girls Go," has been performing for a month with burst blood vessels in his shoulder. The shoulder has been immobilized, but he will continue to go on with the show . . .

A group of NYU alumni will contribute $100,000 to the Alumni Fund if university authorities will co-operate in establishing a "creditable" football team.

# The Worry Clinic

By DR. GEORGE W. CRANE

MEREDITH R., 35, is a prominent executive of a life insurance company.

"Dr. Crane, what do you consider the most overlooked problem in salesmanship?" he queried.

'You have taught courses in salesmanship at the university so maybe you can give us a new perspective."

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AMONG THE SEVERAL critical problems in modern salesmanship, the one I should like to stress today is so universally overlooked that I wish to highlight it again in this column.

When a prospect raises a question, the usual reaction of the salesman is to squelch the customer by a snappy comeback or else parry the query till later in the sales talk.

In fact, the salesman, as well as the public speaker, often tends to show a little hostility to interruption and vaguely intimates that the customer or questioner is critical or hostile.

Sometimes that is really the case. Members of the audience or even the sales prospect occasionally seem to delight in tripping up the one who has been speaking.

Moreover, many people raise questions not because they are particularly interested in the answers, but just so they can stand up in open meeting and be heard from, or appear intelligent.

They crave a certain amount of ego inflation. It behooves a salesman or public speaker, therefore, to recognize this fact.

Never be guilty of battering down the questioner's vanity by a curt answer or a too snappy reply.

When you receive a question, whether it be put in a critical manner or is simply an innocent query for information, be sure to mark time momentarily, and turn on a big smile.

Then "pause and praise" your prospect's astuteness or thoughtfulness in making the query.

"I'm very glad you raised that question about the insurance rate, Mr. Brown," the salesman can reply.

"If more men showed your grasp of financial matters . . . etc."

By this time Mr. Brown is feeling so good to have been complimented in front of his wife or business associates, that he is already in a friendly mood, so he will give your answer a better break.

This pause likewise gives the speaker or salesman a chance to think up the best possible answer.

I have seen good salesmen verbally pin a critic against the wall as neatly as a professional knife-thrower may outline a man's contour with daggers.

But that inflates the ego of the salesman, not of the customer! And the crux in salesmanship is to inflate the pride of the BUYER!

Send for my bulletin "The New Psychology Of Advertising And Selling", enclosing a three-cent stamped envelope, plus a dime.

# In Retrospect

## 50 Years Ago

December 27, 1898

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION—Pottstown celebrated Christmas with services in the various churches. Street serenades were given by the National band, the Phillies Fife and Drum corps, Irvin Griesemer's band, the Pottstown Sextet. Family dinners were served at the following homes: Mr. and Mrs. Henry Sotter, 263 North York street; Mr. and Mrs. John C. Saylor, East Coventry; Mr. and Mrs. John M. Ludwick, 543 King street; Mr. and Mrs. A. Fred Saylor, Lower Pottsgrove; Mr. and Mrs. William Walters, 517 North Evans street, and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Berkheimer, 352 Lincoln avenue.

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ICE BROKE—Miss Mary Oberholtzer, of the Sixth ward, was skating on a clay hole near her home. The ice broke and she was thrown into water 10 feet deep. She was rescued by Charles Umstead, of 22 South Franklin street.

## 25 Years Ago

December 27, 1923

BURNS TO DEATH — Evelyn Marguerite Fryer, 5, daughter of Leroy Fryer, 532 East Philadelphia avenue, Boyertown, was burned to death in her crib when her clothing caught fire.

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CLASS REUNION—The Class of 1923, Pottstown High school, held a reunion in Library hall. The committee included John Hemelright, Mahlon Allen, Sarah Von Drach and Linwood Lessig.

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RED MEN PLANS—The 50th anniversary of Sanatoga Tribe, Order of Red Men, will be observed. The committee in charge consists of Jacob J. B. Brant, M. Y. Henricks, Daniel S. Rath, William L. Endy and George W. Swinehart.

## 10 Years Ago

December 27, 1938

ORGANIST RESIGNS — William F. Lamb has resigned as organist of Swamp Lutheran church after 35 years of service. When he assumed the position in 1902, there were six members in the choir and the pipe organ was 102 years old. A new organ was installed in 1905.

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TWIN BOROUGHS DISPLAY—Spring City and Royersford are breaking their record for Christmas decorations. Many homes are decorated with multi-colored lights.

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VALLEY FORGE—Valley Forge should be restored to its 1776 state, Park Commissioner Gilbert S. Jones said in an address at the annual Company A banquet. He said "The American Revolutionary war was won at Valley Forge. The park is not a cemetery but a shrine."

## DUTCH BOY AT THE DIKE

# Hollywood

By EDITH GWYNN

HOLLYWOOD, Dec 26—THE GWYNNSEY REPORT. Most people aren't taking Paulette Goddard's current denials of a domestic dither seriously. Not this time, bub! . . .

Ann Sothern

Ann Sothern and Jim Davis, renewing their suspended wooing at the Brown Deroy . . . Impish producer Billy Wilder, who is impish over Audrey Young, will make her his bride in April . . . Gaylord Hauser, who manages to be a Lothario on vegetable juices has returned to New York from Europe and is giving "Gertrude Brown" another big rush. Gertrude Brown is the name Garbo uses when she's not in Hollywood. Since everyone knows that's her traveling moniker, how silly can you get?

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**CLAIRE JAMES and her ex, Bill Gerard are spending more time together these evs than they did when they were married. . . . Extry! Extry! That well-publicized actress now in Europe, is having trouble with Errol Flynn's teeth! No, kiddies, they're not biting her—but the very fancy and expensive dental work which Errol Flynn treated her to several years ago, is the cause of her present illness and pain. . . . Bob Neal, the young Texas mint, and Harold Lloyd's daughter Gloria are just waiting for her Pa's consent. . . .**

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IT'S ABOUT TIME people stopped referring to Bob Crosby as Bing's kid brother — because he certainly has come into his own. His radio show is one of the tops on the air, and his song, "Until" is on the Hit Parade. And when he went on brother Groaner's program, Bing's Hooper rating went up to his highest level of the year . . . Joan Crawford came to the big buffet dinner at the Roger Converses all by her lonesome. Ann Miller, with Phil Reed, the Jerry Walds, John Vogel in the crowd which was mostly "private people" . . . Reno Browne, the Western star, is back from Europe where she "adopted" a French War orphan and says she'd have taken on more if she could have . . . Alan Mowbray gets a top role in 'You're My Everything," with Anne Baxter and Dan Dailey—and that's a break for everyone concerned. Incidentally, Ann is coming in for more and more top-drawer recognition on the 20th-Fox lot. After the comedy she's currently making, she'll be starred in "Waltz Into Darkness," from the William Irish novel—and it's an exciting melodrama. The locale is New Orleans in the years immediately following the Civil War. George Jessel will produce it.

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THE KING BROTHERS, up to now identified exclusively with gangster pictures, are going to take a breather and "go straight" screenically speaking. Although their first production for 1949 is "Gun Crazy"—in the old "tradition," the brothers King have bought the Ogden J. Wertelle story, "Ramie"—all about an East Indian beauty who inherits a steamship company. They want to borrow Gene Tierney for it. Well, they can dream, can't they?

# How's Your Mind?

THE ANSWER, QUICK!

1. In what year was China's Manchu dynasty overthrown and a republic established?
2. What is "barnyard golf"?
3. Who was the first vice president of the United States to succeed to the office because of the death of the president?
4. What is the highest rank in the United States Navy?
5. What famous words are carved on Grant's tomb on Riverside Drive, New York City?

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Ex-teacher Ex-stage actor

**JOBS UPON A TIME**

Jeffrey Lynn, film actor, was teaching English and dramatics in a small school in Maine when he decided to try the stage. Lynn joined a semi-pro theater troupe, then went to New York, working first as a doorman while he studied drama. He played the lead in a stock version of "Brother Rat." Hollywood called him in 1943 and he played in a short titled "Cowboy From Brooklyn," but really clicked in "Four Daughters." Jeffrey married fashion editor Robin Chandler in 1946.

Edmond O'Brien quit Fordham college after his first year and joined the Columbia Laboratory players. Stage producer Guthrie McClintic "discovered" him and gave him the role of the second grave-digger in Hamlet. O'Brien appeared with Orson Welles on a radio program and, after several more prominent stage parts, was signed by a Hollywood studio to appear, in 1941, in The Hunchback of Notre Dame. O'Brien served in the armed services in World War II. His most recent pictures are Winged Victory and Double Life.

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**MODERN MANNERS**

*If you are a teen-ager, be considerate of your family when you make telephone calls; don't monopolize the line every evening, interrupting family conversation or favorite radio programs.*

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**IT HAPPENED TODAY**

**On Dec. 27, 1945, the Big Three foreign ministers in Moscow agreed on an Atomic Energy commission for the United Nations. Dec. 27, 1941, the Japanese bombed Manila. Louis Pasteur, French biological chemist, founder of preventive medicine, was born on Dec. 27, 1800.**

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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

Author Louis Bromfield, Oscar Levant, actor, pianist and writer; Marlene Dietrich, motion picture star, and Sydney Greenstreet, actor, are all due for happy birthday greetings on this Dec. 27.

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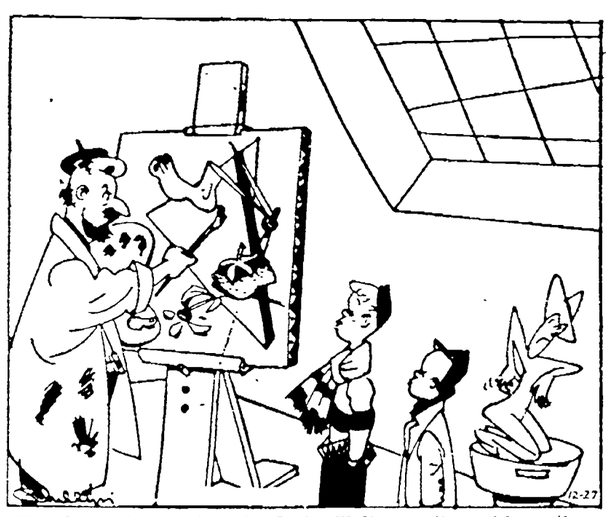
**HOW'D YOU MAKE OUT?**

1. In 1911.
2. Pitching horseshoes
3. John Tyler, who succeeded to the office on the death of William Henry Harrison, three months after his inauguration.
4. Admiral of the fleet.
5. "Let us have peace"

## Pottstown Sketches

By PHILLIPS



*"Wouldn't it be funnier, Mr. Bucky Walters, with a fish in there some place?"*

## ALL AROUND THE TOWN

# Reminder of Home... Those Office Parties...

NAMESAKE—A picture which appeared last week in The Mercury had a special significance for Mr. and Mrs. William Stolpe, 3 Rice street. It showed a French army truck leaving the little German village of Stolpe, which was named after Stolpe's family, and which will now be under Russian control. Stolpe's father, Julius Stolpe, came to Pennsylvania from the tiny farming community 70 years ago and settled in White Haven, Luzerne county. He and his wife, the former Charlotta Krause, also of Stolpe, raised 11 children. Only one, William, came to the Pottstown area. Stolpe, who is employed by the Brookside Country club, has resided in Pottstown for 28 years. He came here shortly after he married his wife in Philadelphia. They have six children, five of whom live in or about Pottstown.

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**JOY-SPREADERS—For most people, spreading Christmas cheer was a matter of a "Merry Christmas" here and there to neighbors and friends plus mailing out Christmas cards. But the Ashworths, of 53 Beech street, for the fourth year in a row, took care of a couple of blocks at a clip every night just before Christmas. Once again two of Mrs. Emma Ashworth's electrically talented sons, Donald R., 27, and Horace, 16, rigged loudspeakers fore and aft on the roof to broadcast carols and hymns. Donald started the practice in 1945 when he came home after five years in the Army. In recent years, Horace has gradually taken over most of the responsibility. Two amplifiers in front of the house and one in back went up yesterday a week ago and the family treated the neighborhood to free Christmas cheer for a couple of hours a night since then.**

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ANNUAL SQUAWK—Office Christmas parties may promote good will among workers, but from the looks of this letter they raise hob in the home. "Why must Pottstown put up with shop Christmas parties?" asks Mrs. L.V.T. "They only afford the workman an added opportunity to get chummier with the girls who work with him. The place where my husband works won't hire the wife or daughter of the man who works there. Why? Because the management knows some of the old goats will get caught. Sounds as though I was a jealous wife, doesn't it? I'm not, because five years ago I realized I was married to a chronic (you thought I was going to say alcoholic, didn't you?) skirt chaser. Well, this old Sir Galahad of mine has come home many a time with long blond hairs on his coat, lipstick on his hankie and strange powder and perfume clinging to his coat shoulder . . .

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**CONTINUING, the correspondent says: "One of the men where my man works said laughingly at a union meeting a while back, 'We're going to put on a mild affair so you can bring your wives.' It was a mild affair. Dull would be a better word. When we got inside the door my husband and I met a woman who works with my husband. She gave him a demure look and then later I caught her giving him a sly grin. Later on I caught him squeezing her hand. The two of them disappeared for 20 minutes. They thought they were fooling me, but they weren't. There may be some good men in the world, I'll agree. Some day I'm going out to the cemetery and dig me up a good one, because I know all good men are dead. I dare you to print this. Maybe it'll make some firms and husbands and office personnel realize that wives of working men aren't terrible ogres to be shunned." What do you readers say?**

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BURDEN—What with all the holiday rush, a young Pottstown husband had another burden to bear. His wife met him at the door the other evening with "Oh, I've had a dreadful day. First, the baby cut his first tooth. Then he took his first step. And then he fell down and knocked out his tooth!" "Well,' asked the distraught husband, "what happened next?" "Oh," answered the wife in a shocked voice, "then he said his first word."

# YOUR HEALTH

By HERMAN N. BUNDESEN, M. D.

MOST of us at some time or another develop some sort of throat trouble; most often the trouble is brought on by an infection.

Two types of abscesses may form. One of them occurs particularly in children. It is retropharyngeal abscess. This condition is due to an infection of the lymph glands which are found in the back part of the throat. The second type is a peritonsillar abscess and develops around or near the tissues in the tonsils.

More than half the cases of retropharyngeal abscess occur in infants under one year of age. The outstanding symptom consists of difficulty in breathing due to blocking of the throat. Sometimes a bluish color of the skin known as cyanosis, due to the fact that the child is not getting enough air into the lungs, also develops. The child generally lies with his head bent backward. A brassy cough is also present. The diagnosis is usually made by a physician on examination of the throat. The swelling in the throat can be seen and can be felt with the examining finger. The lymph glands are also enlarged.

The treatment consists in opening the abscess and letting the pus drain out. If the patient is seen early, before pus has formed, treatment with the sulfonamide drugs and penicillin may ward off the development of pus.

The outlook for patients with retropharyngeal abscess is usually good. The most common complication is infection of the middle ear. If the abscess is allowed to break open of itself, the infected material, may get into the lung. Thus, to prevent this, it is important that the abscess be cut open by the surgeon. Now and then the infection may spread from the abscess to other structures in the neck, but treatment with the penicillin and the sulfonamide drugs will, as a rule, prevent this.

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# Motor Federation Approves Increased Taxes for Autoists

The Pennsylvania Motor Federation, American Automobile association, yesterday announced its approval of increased taxes on motorists, such as the proposed two-cent hike in gasoline costs, provided the increase be temporary and the funds be used, as far as possible, for new road construction.

A statement from the PMF was received by William F. Lamb Sr., president of the Pottstown automobile club, AAA.

**"There is recognition of increased costs of modern highways because of added safety features in wider roads," the announcement said, "easier curves and better grades, as well as increases in the cost of labor, materials and equipment. There is also the steadily increasing use per unit. Modernization of the growing total of obsolete and inadequate roads is a known necessity."**

It pointed out that "no additional motorist taxes should be considered" unless:

The need was determined fully; the increases would be made temporary; immediate steps be taken to free the toll bridges in the State, and that additional funds be used for new construction "to serve the best interests of the Commonwealth."

# CHURCH CALENDAR

**METHODIST**

First, the Rev. Horace N. Olewiler, pastor. Today, Boy Scouts, 7 p. m.; Christmas party of Youth Fellowship in home of Lorene Perkins, 1485 Sunset drive, 8 p. m. Tomorrow, Girl Scouts, 6:30 p. m. Wednesday, children's choir, 6:30 p. m. Thursday, chapel choir, 6:30 p. m.; chancel choir, 8 p. m.

Bethel AME, the Rev. Allison Cooper, pastor. Tomorrow, young people's choir, 7 p. m.; senior choir, 8 p. m. Friday, Watch night service, 10 p. m.

**LUTHERAN**

Emmanuel, the Rev. Luther A. Krouse, pastor. Today, Ladies Bible class Christmas party at home of Mrs. Douglas Arndt, Colebrookdale road, 8 p. m. Tomorrow, Christmas party for children of nursery, beginners, primary and junior departments, 2 p. m.; holiday party for young people by Luther league of Norristown conference in Trappe high school, 8 p. m. Wednesday, party for senior choir by Miss Ira Spacht in Clover Leaf restaurant, 6:30 p. m. Thursday, Christmas meeting of cub pack 53 in church basement, 7:30 p. m.

Transfiguration, the Rev. Theodore L. Fischer, pastor. Tomorrow, primary department Christmas party, 2:15 p. m. Friday, junior choir Christmas party, 2 p. m.

Grace, the Rev. Edgar S. Brown Jr., pastor. Today, Boy Scout Christmas party, 7:30 p. m. Wednesday, children of the church Christmas party, 2 p. m.

St. James, the Rev. Howard S. Horn, pastor. Today, Boy Scouts, 7 p. m. Tomorrow, Ruth Kepple circle at home of Ruth Britton, Douglassville, 8 p. m., meet at church at 7:45 p. m. for transportation. Thursday, no choir rehearsal.

St. Peter's, Stowe, the Rev. Kenneth R. Anderson, pastor. Today, Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts, 7 p. m. Tomorrow, Ladies Aid society, 8 p. m. Wednesday, cub pack, 7:30 p. m. Thursday, choirs, 7 and 8 p. m.

**REFORMED**

Trinity, the Rev. John B. Frantz, pastor. Tomorrow, Fidelis class at home of Mrs. Edmund M. Kurtz, 131 Chestnut street, 8 p. m. Wednesday, junior department Christmas party, 6:30 p. m. Thursday, senior choir, 8 p. m.

St. John's, the Rev. Paul C. Scheirer, pastor. Thursday, choir, 8 p. m.

St. Paul's, Stowe, the Rev. Paul C. Scheirer, pastor. Thursday, choir, 7 p. m., followed by a choir party.

Zion's, the Rev. Howard A. Kosman, pastor. Tomorrow, confirmation class, 7 p. m.; churchmen's brotherhood meeting and election of officers, 7:45 p. m. Thursday, Ladies Aid society Christmas party in chapel, 8 p. m.

**EVANGELICAL UNITED BRETHREN**

Salem, the Rev. Charles V. Kacnel, pastor. Wednesday, congregational meeting, 7:30 p. m.

Baltzell, the Rev. John L. Smoker, pastor. Wednesday, prayer service, 7:30 p. m. Thursday, Ladies Bible class at home of Mrs. Jonathan Alting, 176 Rowland street, 7:30 p. m. Friday, senior choir, 8 p. m.

**BAPTIST**

First, the Rev. Delaine E. Storr, pastor. Today, Blue Bird class Christmas party at church, 6:30 p. m. Tomorrow, board of Christian education at church, 8 p. m. Friday, Board of pastors and deacons meeting at church, 7:30 p. m., Watch night services with a varied program, 8:00 to midnight.

Second, the Rev. H. L. Butler, pastor. Today, Sunday school Christmas party in lecture room, 3 to 5 p. m.; Baptist Young People's union Christmas party in home of Mrs. Helen Bradford, 417 Male street, 8 p. m.; members of hospital auxiliary Christmas party at home of Mrs. Evelyn Gillis, 418 Elm street, Stowe, 8 p. m. Tomorrow, senior choir, 8 p. m. Thursday, midweek prayer service, 8 p. m. Friday, Watch night service, 9 p. m.

**OTHER CHURCHES**

Trinity Evangelical Congregational, the Rev. Donald T. Floyd, pastor. Wednesday, prayer meeting, 7:30 p. m.

Holiness Christian, the Rev. Charles Emery, pastor. Wednesday, prayer service, 7:45 p. m.

Christian Science, 910 High street. Wednesday, testimonies of Christian Science healing, 8 p. m.

Bible Truth Hall, King and Franklin streets. Thursday, prayer meeting and Bible study, 7:45 p. m.

Christ Episcopal, the Rev. George A. Lineker, rector. Today, Girl Scouts, 7 p. m. Tomorrow, Boy Scouts, 7:30 p. m.; all other formal meetings canceled.

First Presbyterian, the Rev. Burtis A. Hallock Jr., pastor. Wednesday, meeting of the Session at the Manse, 8 p. m. Thursday, Scout Troop 3, 7 p. m.

Christian and Missionary Alliance, the Rev. W. Harry Dickinson, pastor. Thursday Women's prayer meeting, 2 p. m. Friday, Watch night service, 9 p. m.; church and Sunday school board, 8 and 8:30 p. m. respectively.

Benjamin Franklin first published Poor Richard's Almanac in 1728.

# Berks Blaze Damages Home of Rep. Swope

FRYSTOWN, Dec. 26 (AP) — The home of State Rep. Hiram J. Swope (D-Berks) was wrecked by an early morning fire today. Frystown Fire Chief Chester Reed estimated the damage at $5000.

Swope, his wife, Effie, and two daughters were asleep when fire broke out in the chimney. They were forced to flee into the sub-freezing outdoors. Swope himself was overcome by smoke inhalation and required treatment.

At the other end of Berks county at Colonial Hills, flames swept the home of Kenneth Wally while he and his family were in church. The damage was set by firmen at $2500.

## EAGLE - BYERS

**Walter A. McCardell, corr. Phone Eagle 38-R-3. Lile McDonald, delivery. Phone Eagle 49-R-22.**

Mrs. Forrest Abel, Lionville, entertained at a card party recently. Those present were: Mrs. Arthur Green, Mrs. Guy Mercer, Mrs. Earl Mercer, Mrs. Silas Irey, Mrs. Walter Styer, Mrs. Walter Hill, Mrs. Jack Reber, Mrs. Thomas Reber, Mrs. John Wallace, Mrs. George Graham and Mrs. Paul A. McCardell.

Prizes were won by Mrs. Jack Reber and Mrs. Paul A. McCardell.

Camp 298 POS of A held its semi-monthly meeting in Scheetz Hall, Eagle, recently. One candidate for membership was taken into the order. Several items of important business were transacted. The election of officers was held and the results were as follows:

John Trego, president; Alan Dewees, vice president; Absolum Trego, master of forms; George H. Harlow, conductor; Robert Trego, inspector; A. Rennard, guard; Herman Arners, financial secretary; Walter A. McCardell, recording secretary; Walter Garvine, treasurer, and John Garvine, trustee.

Mr. and Mrs. William Macleary, of Booths Corner, Delaware county, were callers at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter A. McCardell, Byers, recently.

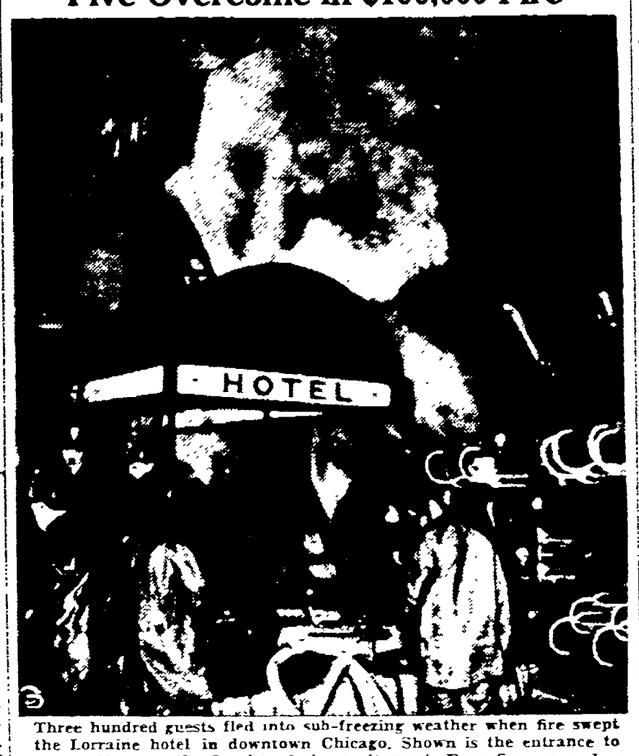
Mr. and Mrs. George Brown were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Davis.

Members of the Upper Uwchlan Farmers club were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John R. Hoffman, Downingtown RD 2. The meeting was called to order by the president, E. Baker Pyle. Ten families responded at roll call. Miss Mildred Pyle, a 4H club member, received top honors for her steer. It gained two and one half pounds daily and weighed 1200 pounds when sold.

Several programs in keeping with the Christmas season were presented by the members. Santa then distributed gifts and a social hour followed with the host and hostess serving refreshments.

The annual children's Christmas party, sponsored by Texas Eastern employes of division three, was held in the Masonic hall recently.

# Five Overcome in $100,000 Fire




Three hundred guests fled into sub-freezing weather when fire swept the Lorraine hotel in downtown Chicago. Shown is the entrance to the building at the height of the excitement. Four firemen and a battalion chief were overcome by the dense smoke which poured from the basement where the fire started.

## GLEN MOORE

**Mrs. Francis Hogan, corr. Richard Peterman, delivery. Phone Pottstown 755-J-4.**

Frank Page, a student at Cornell university, New York, and his brother, Eric, a student at The Hill, Pottstown, are home for the holidays.

Mrs. James Stauffer, Buddy and Faye Stauffer, of Downingtown, and Mrs. Francis Pyle and son, Allen, of Wagontown, spent an evening in Glen Moore.

Miss Betty Linnenbaugh is enjoying several days' vacation from her work at the Devereaux school.

Miss June Filman is spending the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Miriam Filman.

Leonard Kaempler and family, of Florida, are back in Glen Moore for the Christmas holidays.

Billy Irey is spending a few days with his grandmother and sister, Mrs. Jenny Irey and Miss Esther Irey.

# Guerrilla Band Pursued After Shelling Greek City

ATHENS, Dec. 26 (AP) — National forces are pursuing a guerrilla band which shelled Salonika on Christmas morning. Officers said 17 members of the band had been made prisoner.

The rebels—believed to number about 100—fired 20 shells from a 73-MM mountain artillery piece yesterday. A communique said five civilians were wounded.

Other Greek Army units are fighting a band about 2000 strong which attacked Naoussa and Edessa the past Wednesday. Forty-seven Communists were reported taken prisoner and 30 hostages freed.

**INSPECTS AIRLIFT**

BURTONWOOD, Lancashire, Eng., Dec. 26 (AP) — Air Secretary Stuart Symington arrived at the American Airforce depot here after inspecting the Berlin airlift. He was accompanied by Lt. Gen. John Cannon, commander of the U. S. Air Force in Europe.

**FIRE DESTROYS HOME**

CONNELLSVILLE, Dec. 26 (AP)—Fire destroyed the Melvin Galter Christmas Day, causing damage estimated by firemen at $7000. All of the family possessions were lost including the children's Christmas toys.

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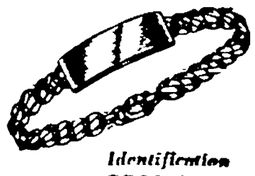

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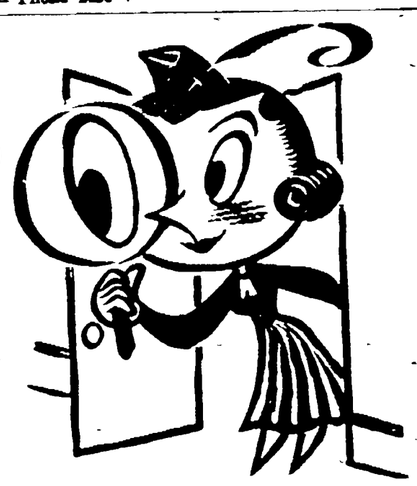

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## Kids in Community Feted at Yule Party By Boyertown Lions

More than 50 kids of the community were guests of the Lions club of Boyertown at the civic group's annual kiddies' party held recently in Boyer Towne inn.

They were entertained by members of the boys and girls committee, of which Louis J. Lignelli is chairman. Lignelli also acted as master of ceremonies for the party.

**The party started with a dinner at which the youthful guests were served dinners identical with those of club members, except in size. Christmas carols were sung, under the leadership of Program Chairman Lamar Smith. Walter C. Brooke was pianist.**

Dorothy Wagner, of Norristown, played several piano solos, as did Diane Smith and Rosemary Lignelli. Following the special music, cartoon motion pictures were shown by Daniel A. Rohrbach, club projectionist. The machine was furnished by Daniel Unger.

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AT THE CONCLUSION of the program, kiddies were given a box of candy and an apple. Russell R. Schaeffer, president, presided. Earl H. Keim, a past district deputy governor, gave the invocation. Rohrbach was named tailtwister for the meeting since Lignelli was in charge of the program.

Representatives of a Pottstown pie manufacturing company will have charge of the club's regular weekly meeting on Thursday night at 7 o'clock in Boyer Towne inn. A motion picture will be shown.

## Employes Share $5000 In Christmas Bonuses

Approximately $5000 in bonus money was distributed to the employes of the Superior Knitting mill of Bechtelsville, at a turkey dinner tendered them by Lloyd Wagner, operator of the mill, last Thursday at the Washington house, Schultzville road, near Bechtelsville. About 250 attended the affair.

Entertainers from Philadelphia highlighted the program preceding dancing to the music of Bill Williams and his orchestra.

## MEETINGS

Boyertown Post 3487, VFW at 8 p. m. in the Orioles home.

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Gilbertsville Boy Scouts Troop 1 at 7 p. m. in the Sunday school.

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Boyertown Rotary club at 6.30 p. m. at the Boyer Towne inn.

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Camp 104, P.O.S. of A. at 7.30 in the Keystone Fire company.

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Drum and Bugle corps of Charles B. Yerger Post 471 American Legion at 7.30 p. m. in the Legion home.

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Keystone Fire company at 8 p. m. in the Fire House.

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Boyertown Boy Scouts Troop 3 at 7 p. m. in the Reformed church.

## Auto-Body Firms Plan Annual Banquet For Local Employes

Approximately 600 persons, representing the Boyertown Body Family" are expected to attend the 23d annual banquet of the Boyertown Auto Body Works, Inc., and the Boyertown Body and Equipment company to be held in Sunnybrook ballroom, Pottstown, on Tuesday, Dec. 28, starting at 6 p. m.

**Welcome remarks and an address will be made by Paul R. Hafer, company president; and remarks will be made by the Rev. Harold F. Hafer, Ph. D., Lancaster, and Dr. Jesse G. Hafer, Pottstown, brothers of the president. Following the remarks by B. Frank Hafer, treasurer, the distribution of annual bonus checks will take place.**

The program will include music provided by Bill Williams and the Midshipmen orchestra, singing of Christmas carols by the group, prayer led by Lloyd B. Fritz, production co-ordinator, a full-course turkey dinner served by Hartenstine's catering service, distribution of gifts by various superintendents, and showing of colored slides on a screen. These pictures include individual and group pictures taken at the "Annual Family Picnic" held the past Aug. 21.

Employes of the Philadelphia and West Pottstown branches of Boyertown Body and Equipment company, who will travel by chartered buses also will attend the affair.

## New Berlinville Has Outdoor Yule Service

The only outdoor community Christmas service in the Boyertown area was held on Christmas Eve at 9 p. m. at New Berlinville.

The service was held around the 16-foot community Christmas tree on the triangle tract at Route 100 and Montgomery avenue.

The service was conducted by the members of Zion's Evangelical United Brethren church, the Rev. Gerald Herzog, pastor.

The program consisted of a community carol sing followed by a short pageant portraying the Nativity scene. Young people of the church participated. Narration and music co-ordinated the pantomime.

## Boyertown Classified

**Deaths 1**

KOCH—In Boyertown on Sunday, Dec. 26, 1948, Mary G. (Grim) Koch, widow of Abraham D. Koch, aged 89. Relatives and friends are invited to services in Good Shepherd Evangelical and Reformed church, Boyertown, Friday at 2 p. m. Interment in Union cemetery, Boyertown. Friends may call Thursday evening between 7 and 9 o'clock at the L. W. Ott Funeral home, Warwick St., Boyertown. (Ott)

SMITH — In Pottstown, on Thursday, Dec. 23, 1948, Lizzie J. (Renninger) wife of Abner E. Smith, age 80 years. Relatives and friends are invited to the services from Schwenk Funeral Home, 124 W. Philadelphia Ave., Boyertown, on Tuesday at 1.30 p. m. Further services in Swamp Lutheran church, New Hanover. Interment in Highland Memorial Park, Pottstown. Friends may call Monday evening 7 to 9. (Schwenk)

MOYER — In Pottstown, on Wednesday, Dec. 22, 1948, Dorothy (Weiler) wife of Warren R. Moyer. Relatives and friends are invited to the services from Schwenk Funeral Home, 124 W. Philadelphia Ave., Boyertown, Pa., on Monday at 2 p. m. Interment in Mt. Zion cemetery, Pottstown. Friends may call Sunday evening, 7 to 9. (Schwenk)

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Mrs. Mae Jandell gently comforts her dying father, Isadore Borchner, Chicago druggist, shot down by three bandits robbing his store. He died a short time later.

## DEATHS - FUNERALS

**MARY G. (GRIM) KOCH**, 85, of **422 EAST FOURTH STREET, BOYERTOWN**, died yesterday morning at home.

She lived with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Muthard. Her husband, Abraham D. Koch, died 39 years ago.

Born in Macungie, she was the daughter of the late Reuben and Lovina (Garman) Koch. She had lived most of her life in Boyertown.

Mrs. Koch was a member of Good Shepherd Reformed church and of the Women's Guild and Adult Bible class of the church.

Surviving in addition to Mrs. Muthard, the only child, and three grandchildren, are the following brothers and sisters: William Grim, Boyertown; Mrs. Emma Fry, Amityville, Mrs. Clara Stoudt, Boyertown, Mrs. Annie Oberholtzer, Pennsburg; and Mrs. Lillie Sassanroth, Boyertown.

Funeral services will be held Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock from Good Shepherd church. The Rev. Harper I. Schneck, pastor, will officiate. Interment will be in Union cemetery, Boyertown.

**ESTHER MARIE KNEPP**, nine-year-old daughter of Mrs. Mary E. (Kerr) Knepp, **GILBERTSVILLE RD.**, died Christmas morning at home.

Chronically afflicted, the little girl was born a deaf-mute. Her father, Cloyd I. Knepp, died several years ago.

Surviving in addition to the mother, are six brothers and three sisters, Byron, Clarence, Harold, Dale, Paul and Fred, all at home; and Doris, a student nurse at Reading hospital, and Sarah and Anna, both at home.

Funeral services will be held at the convenience of the family Wednesday from a Warwick street, Boyertown, funeral home. William Ogelsby, Reading, will officiate. Interment will be in Highland Memorial park.

**PAIR MARKS ANNIVERSARY**

Mr. and Mrs. P. Quinn Roth, 201 East Philadelphia avenue, entertained at a family Christmas dinner yesterday. The Roths observed their 58th wedding anniversary on Christmas Day.

## Delaware County Couple Die in Yule Suicide Pact

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 26 (AP)—An elderly man and his wife were found dead of carbon monoxide in a suicide pact, police said was carried out while church bells heralded the arrival of Christmas.

Dead were Bayard B. Leary Sr., 48, and his wife, Ethel, 51.

The couple was found in their automobile in a locked garage behind their suburban Sharon Hill home. A son, Bayard Jr., discovered the bodies.

Fred Jack, chief of the Delaware county detectives, said Mrs. Leary was seriously ill.

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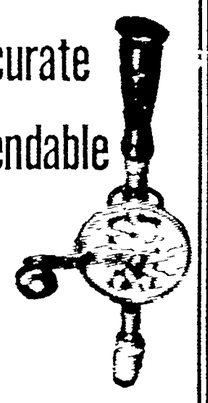
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Earl C. Supplee, Goshen grange, past master of Pomona grange of Chester and Delaware counties, was the speaker recently at the annual Christmas program of Chester valley grange, held in the hall at Devault.

The speaker told the Christmas story and combined it with stories of the carols in an interesting way. As the carols were mentioned, they were played on trumpet and piano by his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. John Sepella, also of the Goshen grange.

Carols were sung by the group and Paul Mace recited, "A Man's at His Best at Christmas." Joseph Flinn and his son, dressed as children, gave a humorous touch to the program by telling in rhyme what they wanted for Christmas. Accordion selections were given by Miss Mildrd Pyle.

The climax of the program was the visit by Santa Claus who presented a candy cane to each child in attendance.

The hall was decorated with lighted Christmas trees at each side of the stage. At each officer's station was a holiday table arrangement made by Harmon D. Rees. On the stage was a minature church, also made by Mr. Rees; and a cross and candles, loaned by Mrs. Richard D. Burroughs of Lyndell grange.

**MUSICIAN DIES**

CONNELLSVILLE, Dec. 26 (AP) — Robert L. Hannam, 77, contract carpenter and musician, died unexpectedly today of a heart attack. He was one of the original members of the Connellsville military band.

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# Local College Students Travel Homeward For Gay Christmas and New Year Season

There's no place like home . . . especially at Christmas, as dozens of local collge students will tell anyone

Curling up by a warm fireside, enjoying good family conversation, eating the delicious meals that only Mother can cook and joining in the holiday festivities, have, for the time being taken the students minds far from the campus and studies.

Below is a list of boys and girls who are home for the year's biggest holiday.

A sophomore at West Chester State Teachers college, West Chester, Miss Doris Erb, caughter of Mrs. Estella Erb, 475 North Charlotte street, is spending her Yuletide vacation with her mother.

Mr. C. Robert Elicker Jr., son of Dr. and Mrs C. Robert Elicker Sr., 720 High street, a student at Lafayette college, Easton, is spending his vacation with his parents. His brother Jack, a freshman at Williams college, Massachusettes, is also enjoying a vacation with the family.

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MISS ANN FOCHT, a student at Stephens Junior college, Columbia, Missouri, is spending her vacation at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs Paul Focht, Third and York streets. She is a junior majoring in aviation.

Misses Barbara and Phyllis Snell, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. J. Clair Snell, 5 West Third street, are spending the holidays with their parents. Barbara is a sophomore at Hope college, Holland, Mich., and Phyllis is a freshman at Davis and Elkins college Elkins, W. Va.

The son of Mr and Mrs. Leonard Bernhart Sr., 62 West Sixth street, Leonard Jr. is spending the Christmas holidays at home. He is a sophomore at Lock Haven State Teachers college, Lock Haven, and is majoring in physical education.

Miss Sue Feit, daughter of Mr and Mrs. Martin A. Feit, 1443 Sunset drive, and a student at Pennsylvania State college, State College, is enjoying the holiday season at the home of her parents.

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VACATIONING from Moravian college, Bethlehem, is James Baird Jr., son of Mr and Mrs. James Baird Sr. 74 West Fifth street. James is majoring in chemistry.

Mr. Jack Strange, son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl R. Strange, 26 Beech street, is vacationing at the home of his parents. He is a student at Dickinson college law school in Carlisle.

Nancy Burdan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs Harry Burdan, 276 Diamond street, is vacationing with her parents. She is a sophomore at Kutztown State Teachers college, Kutztown.

Harry, Lloyd and Charles Hayer, sons of Mr and Mrs. Frank Hayer, 176 Manatawny street, are spending the holidays with their parents. Harry resides in Ann Arbor and is a junior at the University of Michigan. Lloyd and Charles are enrolled as sophomores at Pennsylvania State college, State College

Colette R. Thomas, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Thomas, 1477 Sunset drive, who attends Harcum Junior college in Bryn Mawr, is spending the Christmas vacation with her parents

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VACATIONING from her many activities at college is Charlotte S. Anderson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs Frank Anderson, 834 High street Charlotte, who is a freshman at the University of Pennsylvania, is a pledge to the Alpha Xi Delta sorority of the Alpha Phi chapter; is a freshman representative on the Women's Athletic Association council; a member of the freshman class council; a member of the student governing board; played varsity hockey, and is now a member of the U of P intercollegiate basketball team.

Misses Catherine and Mabel Faust, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Faust, Gilbertsville RD 1, are spending the holidays with their parents Both are students at Ursinus college, Collegeville. Catherine is majoring in history and Mabel is majoring in English

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A STUDENT at Ursinus college, Collegeville, Miss Joyce Derstine is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr and Mrs A. N. Derstine, 181 Sheridan street. She is majoring in languages.

Lee Henry of Bucknell university, Lewisburg, and Owen Henry of Albright college, Reading, are spending their Christmas vacation at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Henry, New Berlinville

Charles Edward Carter Jr., son of Mr and Mrs. Charles A. Carter, Schwenkville RD 1, is visiting with his parents over the holidays He is a junior at King's college, New Castle, Del.

Miss Joanne Koehler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Koehler, 1420 Beech street, is enjoying the holidays at the home of her parents. She is a student at Western Maryland college, Westminster, Md

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ANDREW E. Vaughan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew E. Vaughn Jr., Pottstown RD 1, has returned to his home from Keystone Junior college, La Plume, for the holidays. He is a freshman in the engineering course at Keystone and was also a member of the football team

Vacationing with his parents is Joseph Arnold Suchoza, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Suchoza, 70 South Charlotte street. Arnold is a student at Ursinus college, Collegeville

James F. Christman, a student at Muhlenberg college, Allentown, is vacationing with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. Frank Christman, 864 High street

Mr. and Mrs. William V. Dwyer Sr., North Coventryville road, welcomed home their son, William V. Jr., for the holidays William is a student at Muhlenberg college, Allentown.

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PAUL S FRICK, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Frick, Pottstown RD 1, is spending the holidays with his parents. He is a student at Muhlenberg college, Allentown.

A student at Muhlenberg college, Allentown, Percinard Heller, son of Mr and Mrs Walter Heller, 458 North Hanover street, is spending the Christmas vacation with his parents

The son of Mr. and Mrs Morris P. Houck, 539 Spruce street, Morris P. Houck Jr., is enjoying the holidays at home. He is a student at Muhlenberg college, Allentown.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold B Keim's son, Richard O., a student at Muhlenberg college, Allentown, is spending the vacation at home The Keims live at 32 Beech street

David Kerr, son of Mr and Mrs. Elwood Kerr, 615 Grant street, is enjoying a vacation at home He is a senior at Perkiomen school, Pennsburg.

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HOME FOR the holidays from Swarthmore college, Delaware county, is Joseph Ruyak, son of Mr and Mrs. Michael Ruyak, 226 South street Joseph is a junior at the school.

Mr and Mrs Stanley Swinehart, 737 Walnut street, welcomed home two sons and two daughters for the Christmas vacation Their daughters, Bonnie and Sandra, are students at Elkes college school, Newtown Square Bonnie is a senior and Sandra is a freshman. A son, Robert, is a junior at Kutztown State Teachers college, Kutztown. George, another son, is a sophomore at Pierce Business school, Philadelphia.

Stephen Barna, son of Mr and Mrs. John Barna, Rahns Hill, is enjoying the holidays with his parents Stephen is a student at Lehigh university, Bethlehem, where he is majoring in accounting.

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JANET ALLISON, daughter of Mr and Mrs. Alex Allison, 237 Lee avenue, is vacationing from Pembroke college, Providence, R. I., with her parents during the holidays. Miss Allison is a junior majoring in English and business economics

A sophomore at the Philadelphia Museum School of Industrial Arts, Mr. John J. Yonkovitch Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs John J. Yonkovitch Sr., 343 Cherry street, is spending the holidays with his parents.

Miss Ella Virginia Feight, who majors in secondary teaching at East Stroudsburg State Teachers college, East Stroudsburg, is vacationing with her parents, Mr. and Mrs Earl W. Feight, 427 North York street

Mr Samuel Keiser Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Keiser Sr., 874 North Franklin street, is enjoying the holidays at home He is a senior at Mercersburg Academy, Mercersburg.

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HENRY STOFKO, 1214 Queen street, is home on vacation from West Chester State Teachers college West Chester. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Stofko.

Twin sons of Mr. and Mrs Raymond Hartenstine, Sunnybrook, Messrs. Robert and Raymond Hartenstine, are spending their Christmas vacation at home. They are seniors at Mercersburg academy, Mercersburg.

Miss Grace Selinger, daughter of Mr. and Mrs Chauncey M. Selinger, 1317 Queen street, is home on vacation from Bucknell university, Lewisburg, where she is a senior majoring in theatrical art.

Home for the holidays is Miss Betty Griffiths, daughter of Mr. and Mrs George W Griffiths, Seven Springs Farm, Uniontville. Betty is a student at Pennsylvania State college, State College

Miss Nancy Bartholomew, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard W Bartholomew, Saylor Court and Rowland avenue, is vacationing at home Nancy is a junior at Bucknell university, Lewisburg.

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A STUDENT at Millersville State Teachers college, Millersville, Mr. John Moffit, is spending the holidays at home He is the son of Mr and Mrs. Gerald Moffit, 846 High street

Enjoying a holiday at home is Miss Mary Jane Shaner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Luther Shaner, 261 Chestnut street. She is a senior at Wilson college, Chambersburg.

Phyllis Pickard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L Ernest Pickard, Prospect and Spruce streets, is enjoying the holidays at home. She is a senior at Morningside college, Sioux City Iowa

The Rev. and Mrs Horace N Olewiler, 414 High street, had their daughter, Kitty Lou at home this Christmas Kitty Lou is a sophomore at Western Maryland college, Westminster, Md.

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JEAN TROUTMAN daughter of Mr. and Mrs Carl F. Troutman, Douglassville RD 1, is home for the holidays. She is a student at Westminster Choir college, Princeton, N. J.

Richard Swavely, son of Mr. and Mrs. Russell A Swavely, 347 Beech street, is spending the vacation at home He is a student at Bucknell university, Lewisburg.

The son of Mr. and Mrs John H. Longaker, John J., is spending his vacation at home 500 North Franklin street. He is a student at Lafayette college, Easton.

Charles Emery, son of Mr and Mrs Arthur E Emery, 855 North Franklin street, is home for the holidays. He is a student at Millersville State Teachers college, Millersville.

Home from West Chester State Teachers college, West Chester, is Ronald Dellecker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dellecker, 332 Walnut street Ronald is a freshman at the college.

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CHARLES HUNSBERGER, son of Mrs. William Yost, 451 Beech street, is home on vacation. He is a student at West Chester State Teachers college, West Chester.

Music major Richard Brendlinger, son of Mrs Helen Brendlinger, 465 North Charlotte street, is spending his vacation at home He is a student at West Chester State Teachers college, West Chester.

Also a student at West Chester State Teachers college Thomas W. Miller, son of Mr and Mrs Frank Miller, 430 Bech street, is home for the holidays

Miss Deborah Moore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs George H. Moore, 205 Water street, is home from Catawba college, North Carolina, for the holidays

Robert Pollak, son of Mr. and Mrs. Abram Pollak, Linfield, is home for the vacation. He is a sophomore at Drexel Institute, Philadelphia

Yolanda Formando, a student at Pennsylvania State Teachers college, State College, is home for her vacation. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Formando, 19 Walnut street.

Misses Francys and Frederika Elliott, daughter of Mr. and Mrs James R Elliott, Upson Downs Farm, Perkiomenville are home for the holidays from Sullins college, Bristol, Va. Francys is a junior while Frederika is a junior in the high school rank

# Woman's Page

CLUB NEWS

WEDDINGS

## Cocktail Dress

A good cocktail dress might be one of polka-dotted taffeta with wide "V" neckline and folded shawl collar The puffed sleeves are very narrow. This dress has tiny buttons down the bodice, a slim skirt with flared back fullness A tight band of pearls hugs the neck.

## WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

**Recently**

Mr and Mrs. Paul R. Anderson, 24 King street, 25 years.

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Mr. and Mrs. Robert Pennington, 1068 South street, nine years.

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Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Denfeld, Boyertown RD 2.

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Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Dry, 320 Glasgow street, Stowe, 12 years

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Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brown, Elverson RD 1

**Yesterday**

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Pollock, 313 Walnut street, 41 years.

## HOSPITALS

**MEMORIAL**

**Admitted:** Mrs Roberta L. Noble, Douglassville, maternity; Mrs Anna Allen, 643 Chestnut street, medical; Carl Keal, Pottstown RD 3, medical; Mrs Marian Gephart, Pottstown RD 4, maternity; Mrs Hazel M. Schaefter, 24 East Fifth street, maternity; Mrs. Josephine M. Knepp, Pottstown RD 4, maternity; Mrs Dorothy Gilmer, Hilldale, surgical; Mrs Marie Spielman, Pottstown RD 3, surgical; Mrs Ceceha Sweisford, 326 Beech street, maternity; Royden H. Bowman, Limerick, surgical; William S. Moyer, Boyertown, surgical; Mrs. Sarah Pollick, 214 East street, surgical; Mary Ann Petro, 812 Queen street, surgical.

**Discharged:** Mrs Catherine J. Lutz 55 South Evans street, maternity; Lucille Moser, Linfield, surgical; Ruth Fitzcharles, Pottstown RD 4, medical, Robert S. Bergstresser, Royersford, surgical.

**POTTSTOWN**

**Admitted:** Mrs. Mary Shanta, Stowe, maternity; Helen Wetzel, Sassamansville, surgical; Charles Detweiler, 564 State street, medical; Mrs. Evelyn Ritz, 63 King street, maternity; Catherine Kasner, Pottstown RD 1, surgical, Oscar Jackson, 649 Beech street, medical; John Ecker 1055 South street, medical; Paul Bailey, 263 Beech street, surgical; Nancy Williams, 880 North Evans street, surgical

**Admitted and discharged:** Marguerite Haddad Boyertown, surgical.

**Discharged:** John Takach, 359½ New street, surgical; Lee Leinbach, 602 North Evans street, surgical.

## YOUR BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARIES

**TODAY'S HOROSCOPE**

**DO ONLY what you must do at this time, and relax. A modicum of good fortune may come to you throughout your next year. The child born today should be of a bright and optimistic disposition and meet the ups-and-downs of life with good cheer and a determination to overcome all obstacles.**

Daniel Kovaluk, son of Mr. and Mrs Theodore Kovaluk, 544 Jefferson avenue, aged 14 years.

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Carlos Zeigler, son of Mr. and Mrs Leonard Zeigler, 346 Beech street.

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Donna Francine Graez, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Morton Graez, 127 East Third street.

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James Faust, son of Mr Nelson Faust, Gilbertsville RD 1.

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Pauline Gaugler, daughter of Mr and Mrs. Adon Gaugler, 70 North York street.

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Barbara Ann Hums, daughter of Mr. and Mrs Edmond Hums, 667 Jefferson avenue.

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Barbara Brunner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Brunner, 235 West High street.

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David Todd Moser, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Moser, 1323 South street.

**Yesterday**

David M. Reidenouer, son of Mr. and Mrs Thomas Reidenouer, 610 North Charlotte street, aged 14 years.

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Zelda Clair Geyer, daughter of Mr and Mrs George Geyer, 32 Boone Court, Penn Village.

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David Hane, son of Mr. and Mrs John Hane, 345 Chestnut street.

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Sara Jane Allen, daughter of Mrs Esther Allen, 18 North Hanover street.

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Jeanne Walker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs W. H Walker, 281 Master street.

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Ralph E Kinzer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph M. Kinzer, 30 East Second street

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Richard Bacchi, son of Mr and Mrs Joseph Bacchi, 325 King street.

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Sandra Oxenford, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Oxenford, 217 Johnson street.

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Charles Gephart, Pottstown RD 4.

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Mrs Helen Rushen, Douglassville RD 1.

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Barbara Ann Reustock, daughter of Mr. and Mrs John Reustock, Pottstown RD 3, aged six years.

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Nancy Reider, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Reider, 755 Sheridan street, aged 11 years.

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Hazel Rebecca McDonald, Boyertown RD 1, aged 26 years

**Recently**

Mrs. Lloyd Wise, Douglassville RD 2

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Christine Stetler, daughter of Mrs. Margaret Stetler, 319 South street

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Sandra Waters, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Don Waters, 531 High street

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Isabel Phillips, daughter of Mr and Mrs. Lawrence Phillips, 1040 High street

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Mildred Mehlman, daughter of Mr and Mrs Irvin Mehlman, Pottstown RD 4.

## Miss Joyce Mauger Becomes Bride of Ensign Alan Jansen

Miss E. Joyce Mauger and Ensign Alan L. Jansen were united in marriage yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock in St John's Reformed church, the Rev. Paul C. Scheurer pastor, officiating at the double ring ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Mauger, Grosstown road, Stowe. Ensign Jansen is the son of Mr. Lewis A. Jansen, of Milwaukee, Wis., and temporarily of New York City.

An altar banked with all white flowers formed a lovely setting for the marriage ceremony Miss Myrna Fry played bridal selections on the organ.

Miss Mauger, who approached the altar on the arm of her father, was gowned in a white satin dress styled with an oriental neckline, long fitted sleeves, and fitted bodice embroidered with pearls The long fitted skirt featured a short train.

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THE FINGERTIP length net veil was fastened to clusters of crystalized orange blossoms which the bride wore on either side of her head She carried a bouquet of white gardenias, snap dragons and carnations.

Serving as maid of honor was Miss Bernice Maul, of Short Hills, N. J., while matron of honor was Mrs. Robert Raugh. Both were gowned in deep blue satin dresses styled like the bride's with cap sleeves. They wore matching gauntlets and carried bouquets of yellow, blue and pink flowers.

Attired in light blue satin gowns styled like the other attendants, were Mrs Betty Peiffer and Miss Betty Jane Mauger, who were bridesmaids. They also carried mixed bouquets and wore matching gauntlets.

Mr Jansen served as best man for his son, while ushers were Messrs. Robert Raugh, Irvin Peiffer and Leon MacMullen.

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MRS. MAUGER was attirde in a dark gray dress trimmed in blue, with navy accessories and an orchid corsage

A reception was held following the ceremony at the El Chico hotel, after which the couple left on a honeymoon trip through the Southern states.

They will reside in Pensacola, Fla

Mrs. Jansen was graduated from the Pottstown Senior High school with the class of 1945 and attended Maryland college for Women, Lutherville, Md.

Ensign Jansen attended schools in Kansas is a graduate of the United States Naval academy, Annapolis, Md. and is stationed at Pensacola, Florida.

## BIRTHS

A son was born yesterday to Mr and Mrs. Forrest Ritz, 63 King street, in Pottstown hospital.

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Mr. and Mrs Leonard Noole, Douglassville, announce the birth of a son late Friday night in Memorial hospital.

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Mr and Mrs John Sweisford, 326 Beech street, became the parents of a son yesterday in Memorial hospital.

## Betrothals of Six Couples Announced As Cupid Rides With Santa Over Holiday

Santa Claus and that fat little cherub named Dan Cupid rode hand in hand through Pottstown over the weekend.

Diamonds sparkled on the third finger of many happy young women as they pledged their troth to their "one and only." Six couples who will always remember this past Christmas as the anniversary of their engagement are the following:

**Riegner-Wismer**

Mr and Mrs Eli F. Wismer Sr., Rahn's hill, Pottstown RD 4, announce the engagement of their daughter, Mary Elizabeth, to Mr. Richard Smith Riegner, 311 Chestnut street, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. Howard Riegner.

The engagement was announced on Christmas Day at a family dinner.

Miss Wismer, a graduate of the Pottstown Senior High school and of Ursinus college, Collegeville, is a teacher of the elementary grades in the Washington school. She also has done graduate work at Pennsylvania State college, State college, Northwestern university and Wheaton college

Mr. Riegner was graduated from the Pottstown Senior High school prior to serving for three years in the U. S. Navy. Since his return from duty with the Navy, he has studied with the National Institute of Credit and the Wharton School of Finance and Commerce of the University of Pennsylvania. He is now employed as credit manager of Firestone Stores in Pottstown.

No definite wedding date has been set.

**McCarthy-O'Dell**

The engagement of Miss Mary Ann O'Dell to Mr. Laurence G. McCarthy, son of Mr. and Mrs Charles J. McCarthy, 65 North Hanover street, was made by Miss O'Dell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leo A. O'Dell, of the Bahr Arcade apartments.

Both Miss O'Dell and Mr. McCarthy were graduated from the Reading Catholic Senior High school with the class of 1946 Miss O'Dell is employed as a clerk in Annabel's Gift Shop

After serving in the U. S. Army for one and one-half years, Mr. McCarthy is employed by the Alan Wood Steel company, Conshohocken.

No date has been set for the wedding.

**Yonkovitch-Reilly**

It was announced by Mr. and Mrs. James B. Reilly, Wayne, that their daughter, Betty, was betrothed to Mr John J Yonkovitch Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Yonkovitch Sr., 345 Cherry street, at a Christmas dinner.

Miss Reilly attended Wayne schools and is a secretary at Villanova college.

Mr. Yonkovitch was graduated from the Pottstown Senior High school with the class of 1942; Pennington Preparatory school, Pennington, N. J., in 1943; and the Merchant Marine academy, Fort Schuyler, N. Y., in 1944. He served for two and one-half years in the Navy as an ensign, and is now employed as an instructor for the Reading Naval reserves, Reading, and also attends classes at the Philadelphia Museum School of Industrial Arts.

**Chapay-Krause**

Mrs. Thelma Krause, 384 North Evans street, announces the engagement of her daughter, Barbara Estella, to Mr. Thomas Joseph Chapay, son of Mr and Mrs. Joseph Chapay, Phoenixville

Miss Krause attended Pottstown schools and is employed at the Beverly-Century corporation. Mr. Chapay attended Phoenixville schools and is employed by A P Desanno company in Phoenixville.

No date has been set for the wedding.

**Schuick-Lockowitz**

Mr. James Lockowitz, Kenilworth, announces the engagement of his daughter, Nellie, to Mr. Joseph Paul Shuick, son of Mr. and Mrs. David Abrams, 623 Glasgow street, Stowe.

The future bride is employed at the Pottstown Shirt factory, and Mr. Shuick is employed at the Spicer Manufacturing company. She attended school in North Coventry while her betrothed attended schools in West Pottsgrove.

**Miller-Detwiler**

On Christmas eve, Mrs. Florence Detwiler, 682 West High Street, Stowe, announced the engagement of her daughter, Eva, to Mr. Otto Miller Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Miller Sr., Elverson RD 1, at a Christmas party in the Fruitville hotel.

Miss Detwiler, who attended West Pottsgrove schools, is employed by the Gudebrod Brothers Silk company, Stowe. Mr. Miller, who attended Warwick schools prior to serving three years in the US Army, is now employed by Warren B Zern, contractor.

Those attending the party were: Mr. and Mrs. Harold Large and children, Bonnie and Gayle; Nancy, Jimmy and Lloyd Bechtel, Mr. Ray Moyer, Miss Jeanette and Marie Detwiler, Mr. Walter Miller, Miss Doris Dawson, Mrs. Florence Detwiler and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Testa and daughter, Elaine.

## Social Calendar

**Soroptimist club**—Christmas party tonight at 7 o'clock in the Elk's club.

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**Board of Directors of Jewish Women's League** — Meeting tonight at 8 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Hyman Stein 1336 High street.

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**Ladies auxiliary of Sanatoga fire company** — Christmas party tonight at 8 o'clock in the fire hall.

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**Navy Mother's club** — Christmas party tonight at 6.30 o'clock at the Blossom restaurant.

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**Junior Service league**—Green and Silver ball tonight from 9.30 to 2 o'clock in the Brookside Country club.

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**Ladies' Bible class of Emmanuel Lutheran church**—Business meeting and Christmas party tonight at 8 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Doris Arndt, Boyertown RD 2.

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### MORNING

| Hour | KYW NBC 1000 K | WCAU CBS 1210 K | WFIL ABC 560 K | WIP MBS 610 K |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 6:00 | Morning Salute | Sunrise Jamboree | Farmer Jones | Dawn Patrol |
| 6:15 | " | Rural Digest | " " | News Music |
| 6:30 | Musical Clock | Amos Kirby | " " | Dawn Patrol |
| 6:45 | " | | " " | News |
| 7:00 | Musical Clock | News, Music | LeRoy Miller | Mac McGuire |
| 7:15 | News Music | Bugle Call | " " | Comedy |
| 7:30 | Musical Clock | Music | News: Weather | News: Mac |
| 7:45 | " " | J Raleigh News | LeRoy Miller | McGuire |
| 8:00 | Musical Clock | Bugle Call | Newsical Clock | Start Day Right |
| 8:15 | " | Music News | " " | News |
| 8:30 | News, Musical | " " | " " | Mac |
| 8:45 | Clock | " " | Morning Extra | McGuire |
| 9:00 | Arthur Godfrey | Cinderella | Breakfast Club | News |
| 9:15 | " | Weekend | " " | Counter Bar |
| 9:30 | School Hour | Hollywood Stars | " " | Counter Bar |
| 9:45 | The Little Show | " " | " " | Music |
| 10:00 | Fred Waring | Let's Have Fun | My True Story | Back to Happiness |
| 10:15 | " " | Tasco Rings | " " | News |
| 10:30 | Road of Life | Arthur Godfrey | Betty Crocker | Gems of Melody |
| 10:45 | The Brighter Day | " " | Show Time | Paula Favorites |
| 11:00 | Nora Drake | Arthur Godfrey | Kay Kyser | Kitchen Kapers |
| 11:15 | Love and Learn | " " | College | " " |
| 11:30 | Jack Berch | For Women Only | Ted Malone | Gabriel Heatter |
| 11:45 | Lora Lawton | Rosemary | Concert Caprice | Victor Lindlahr |

### AFTERNOON

| Hour | KYW | WCAU | WFIL | WIP |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 12:00 | Gabe Mileand | W Warrn: News | Welcome | Kate Smith |
| 12:15 | Lunchtimers | Aunt Jenny | Traveler | " " |
| 12:30 | News, Weather | Helen Trent | Bing Crosby | News |
| 12:45 | | Our Gal Sunday | Sleep Hollow | Harmony Boys |
| 1:00 | Melody Magic | Big Sister | Anything Goes | Woolen Herman |
| 1:15 | " | Ma Perkins | Music | John Nesbitt |
| 1:30 | Health Problems | Dr Malone | Alice Ives | Melody Gems |
| 1:45 | Something Old | Guiding Light | " " | Do Re Mi |
| 2:00 | Double or | Mrs Burton | Norman Black | Queen For a Day |
| 2:15 | Nothing | Perry Mason | Fit to Listen | " " " |
| 2:30 | Today's Children | Nora Drake | Bride & Groom | Coleen Hope |
| 2:45 | Light of World | What Makes You | " " | Chest |
| 3:00 | Life Beautiful | David Harum | Ladies Be Seated | Try For Fun |
| 3:15 | Ma Perkins | Hilltop House | " " | " " " |
| 3:30 | Pepper Young | House Party: | Galen Drake | The Happy Gang |
| 3:45 | Happiness | News | Xmas Parties | " " " |
| 4:00 | Backstage Wife | Hint Hunt | Hedda Howard | News |
| 4:15 | Stella Dallas | Hint Hunt Band | " " | Melody Matinee |
| 4:30 | Lorenzo Jones | For Women Only | " " | Santa Claus |
| 4:45 | Widder Brown | " " " | News | Memory Lane |
| 5:00 | When Girl Weds | Your Lucky | Challenge | Adventure |
| 5:15 | Portia Faces Life | Strike | of the Yukon | Superman |
| 5:30 | Just Plain Bill | Spotlight Show | Jack Armstrong | Capt Midnight |
| 5:45 | David Farrell | Herb Shriner | " " | Tom Mix |

### EVENING

| Hour | KYW | WCAU | WFIL | WIP |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 6:00 | News; Talk | Fred Maness | Magic Lady | Uncle Wip |
| 6:15 | Sports, Weather | Sports, Weather | Bing Crosby | Jon & Family |
| 6:30 | As You Like It | Mike Mysteries | John Kennedy | Sports, News |
| 6:45 | J-Stag Extra | Lowell Thomas | Moorehead | Ray Bloch |
| 7:00 | Supper Club | Beulah | News Santa Claus | Unseen Advisor |
| 7:15 | News | Jack Smith | Spinners Sanctum | News |
| 7:30 | Adventures | Club 15 | Lone Ranger | Variety Hall |
| 7:45 | In Music | Edward Murrow | Cowboy Drama | Inside Sports |
| 8:00 | Cavalcade | Inner Sanctum | Railroad Hour | The Falcon |
| 8:15 | of America | " " | " " | " " |
| 8:30 | Voice of | Arthur Godfrey | Henry J Taylor | Gregory Hood |
| 8:45 | Firestone | " " | " " | " " |
| 9:00 | Telephone Hour | Radio Theatre | Let's Go To The | Gabriel Heatter |
| 9:15 | " " | " " | Met | Singing Sam |
| 9:30 | Dr. I. Q. | " " | Stars In The | Presing and |
| 9:45 | " " " | " " | Night | Hunting Club |
| 10:00 | Contented | My Friend Irma | Songmasters | To Be Announced |
| 10:15 | Program | " " | Glen Sar | " " |
| 10:30 | Radio City | Bob Hawk | On Trial | John Facenda |
| 10:45 | Playhouse | Show | " " | Fulton Lewis |
| 11:00 | News, Radio | News | News: Weather | Come and Dance |
| 11:15 | Night Club | Powers Gourmand | Duke | " " " |
| 11:30 | Dress Rehearsal | Cab Calloway | Ellington | " " " |
| 11:45 | Boston Symp'y | " " | Show | " " " |
| 12 p.m. | News | News; Orchestra | Sports and News | Bandwagon |

# Try and Stop Me

**By BENNETT CERF**

HEARING a man complain of his worries, Chess Champion Herbert Wise assured him, "Come with me and consult my friend Kadison. He'll work wonders for you." They visited Kadison, who obligingly said to the friend, "Now let's analyze your worries one by one."

"First," said the man, "I owe two hundred dollars for my daughter's wedding. Second, I owe ninety dollars to my tailor. Third, the electric light bill is overdue. That's eighteen dollars more. And fourth, I'm overdrawn by three hundred dollars at the bank already."

Kadison did a little mental calculating and said cheerfully, "That adds up to just six hundred and eight dollars. Forget all the details, think of that, and you'll have one worry left."

"What did I tell you?" said Wise. "That fellow Kadison's a genius!"

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A recent dispatch from Aberdeen, Scotland, advises us that Sir Harry Lauder has purchased a dachshund—so that the entire family can pet it at the same time.

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# BARCLAY ON BRIDGE

**By SHEPARD BARCLAY**

*The Time to Hop High*

WHEN you hand is splendid if played at its own suit, or in support of your partner's, but extremely weak on the defense against an opposing contract — that is the time to hop high in your bidding at your first opportunity. Your desire then is to shut out the enemy who, as it appears, may be able to make a big score if he can enter the auction. When your hand is very strong in high cards with no very long suit or suits you don't fear the enemy bidding. In fact, you hope he will so his neck out. Hence you take it easy then and give him every possible chance for suicide.

North: ♠ K 7 ♥ J 7 5 2 ♦ J 9 ♣ Q J 8 6 2
West: ♠ A 5 4 3 ♥ A Q 4 3 ♦ A Q 6 3 2 ♣ None
East: ♠ 10 9 6 2 ♥ K 10 9 8 ♦ K 8 7 4 ♣ 9
South: ♠ Q J 8 ♥ 6 ♦ 10 5 ♣ A K 10 7 5 4 3

(Dealer North East-West vulnerable)

| North | East | South | West |
|---|---|---|---|
| Pass | Pass | 1 ♣ | Dbl |
| 4 ♣ | Pass | Pass | Dbl |
| Pass | 4 ♥ | Pass | Pass |
| 5 ♣ | " " | | |

The declarer made that contract, losing only two tricks in spades. In other words, North's jump to 4-Clubs was not high enough to shut out the vulnerable pair. If North had seen fit to go all the way with a leap to 5-Clubs over West's double the deal would have been played at that contract, which should have been set exactly two tricks to give East and West a score of only 300 points much less than their game was worth.

During the post-mortem one player said that, if he sat in the West chair, North could not have shut out his side by any measures. Being certain that his length in the three unbid suits would find a good match with East, he would have bid 2-Clubs over the 1-Club to let his partner know at once about the game probabilities, especially since his hand "sat over" the opening bidder. East said that, if West made that bid not even a hop to 5-Clubs would have kept him from bidding 5-Hearts, which could have been taken out into spades by West who did not fit the suit.

One player said that over the double by West, he would have bid only 2-Clubs as a mild impediment to the opposition. But then you will usually find one Caspar Milquetoast in almost every game.

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**Tomorrow's Problem**

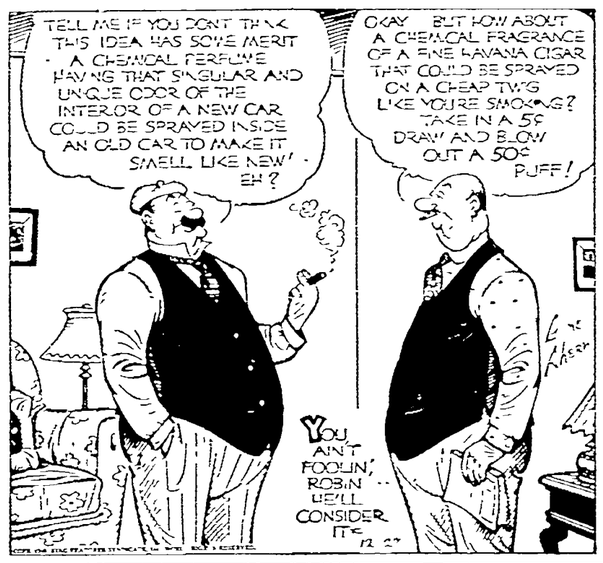
North: ♠ K 10 9 4 2 ♥ Q J 10 2 ♦ 10 3 2 ♣ A
West: ♠ Q 7 6 ♥ A K 8 6 3 ♦ K 7 ♣ Q 7 5
East: ♠ J 8 5 ♥ 7 ♦ A Q 9 6 ♣ K J 8 6 2
South: ♠ A 3 ♥ 9 5 4 ♦ J 8 5 4 ♣ 10 9 4 3

(Dealer West East-West vulnerable)

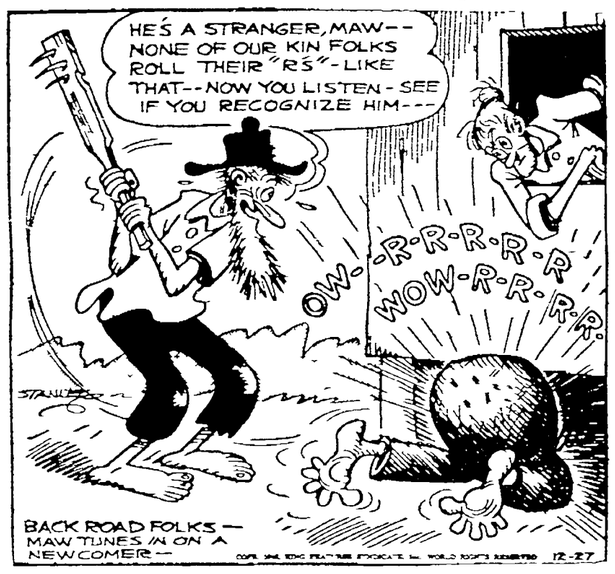
If East is a No Trump game contract a one-leaper and West at another on this deal, what factor determines the relative results?

## IT'S QUEER BUT TRUE

## ROOM and BOARD by GENE AHEARN




## THE OLD HOME TOWN by STANLEY

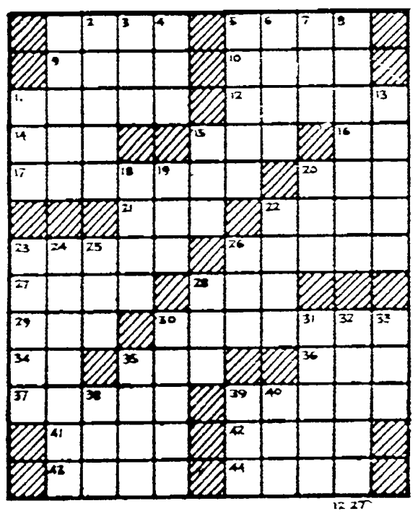



## TODAY'S CROSSWORD PUZZLE

**ACROSS**
1 Game on horseback
5 Secluded valley
9 Letter of alphabet (Arab)
10 Infrequent
11 Hail
12 Bordered
14 High priest
15 Fated to die
16 Perform
17 Discuss casually
20 High (mus)
21 High card
22 S shaped profile
23 Faultily
26 Alloy of copper with zinc
27 A son of Adam
28 A lap robe
29 Source of light
30 Deep gorges
34 Part of "to be"
35 Swab-like instrument
36 Policeman (slang)
37 A tendon
39 Spiteful
41 Right of franchise
42 Toward the lee
43 Pitcher
44 Cushions

**DOWN**
1. Talk (dial.)
2 Liquid part of any fat
3 Recline
4. Often (poet)
5 Not ripe
6. Gentlewoman
7. Unit of work
8 Sewing implements
11 Precious stone
13 Is foolishly fond
15 Enemy
18 High
19 Frigid
20. Turkish title
22 Carousal
23. Foundation
24 Scurrilous
25 Lair
26 Small, soft cake
28 Knock lightly
30. Crouch in fear
31. Composition for eight parts (mus)
32 Characters (mus)
33 Enemy scout
35 Apportion
38 At the present time
39 A sliding piece (mach)
40. A wing

Saturday's Answer



**DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE—Here's how to work it:**

A X Y D L B A A X R
is L O N G F E L L O W

One letter simply stands for another. In this example **A** is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

**A Cryptogram Quotation**

BJ BJSJ WI ZI CISJ UQTKLJTT YAWJS ZKLLJS; UQW YAWJS ZKLLJS KT YAWJS ZKLLJS—TBKAW

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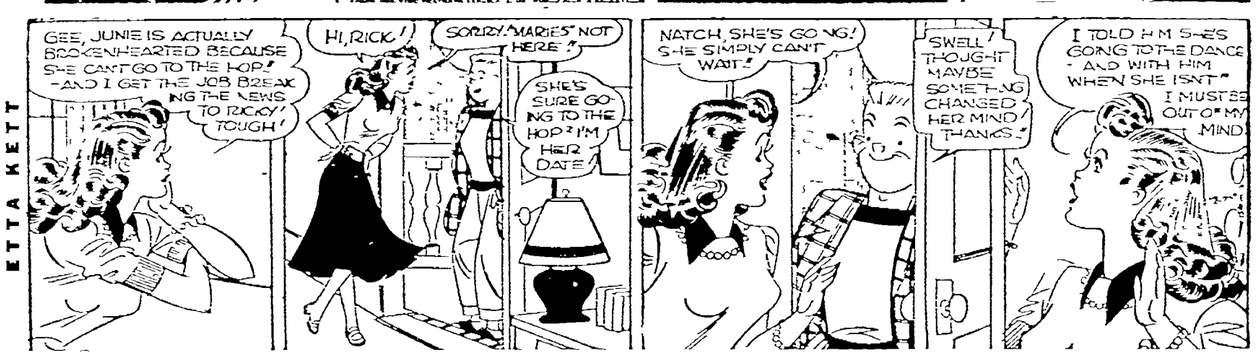


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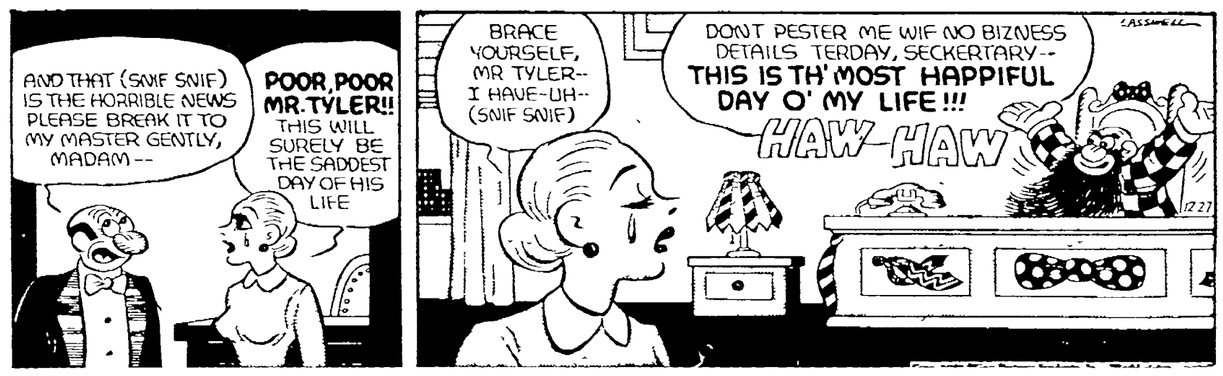


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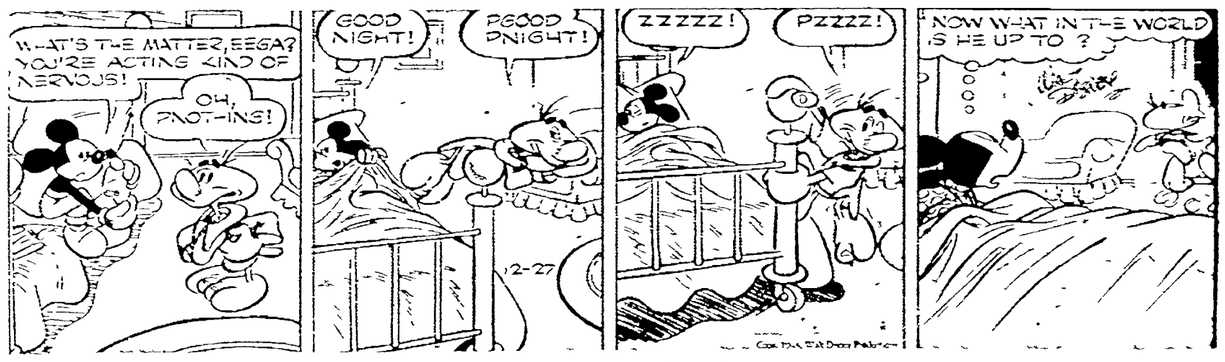
MICKEY MOUSE

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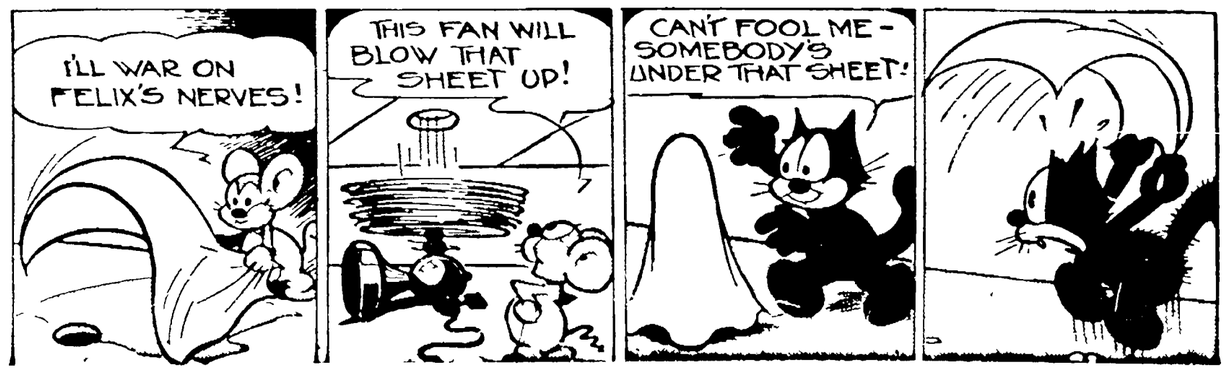


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# IKE WILLIAMS NAMED FIGHTER OF YEAR; SPORT ON UPSWING

Cerdan Clamps Zale With Right
*(Performance of the Year)*

NEW YORK, Dec 26 (AP)—Ike Williams is the fighter of the year and Rocky Gastellani the rookie of 1948 in the annual ratings of Ring magazine.

**Both awards were announced today in a copyright story appearing in the February issue of Ring which reports an "emphatic rally" by the sport. Editor Nat Fleischer rates boxing still far below its pre-war level but finds hope in the influx of new faces and numerous title shifts of '48.**

Williams took No. 1 honors on the strength of three defenses of his lightweight championship and seven other victories, his rating was based on the caliber of his opponents as he took on the best men in his division

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CHALLENGER ENRIQUE BOLANOS of Los Angeles, Beau Jack of Augusta, Ga., and Jesse Flores of Stockton, Calif., were beaten by Williams who led all champs in defenses There were 11 world championship fights during the year with every titleholder, except flyweight Rinty Monaghan of Belfast, risking his crown

The Marcel Cerdan-Tony Zale brawl at Jersey City in which the Frenchman knocked out Zale to take the middleweight crown to Europe was rated the fight of the year Off his performance in that exciting battle, Cerdan also was given the Nat Fleischer medal for an outstanding performance in 1948

**Round of the year was the 11th between Joe Louis and Jersey Joe Walcott at the Yankee stadium when the Brown Bomber struck with his pre-war fury to knock out Walcott. Louis' 25th defense was his only start of the year.**

Ike Williams
*(Fighter of the Year)*

Louis, Williams and Welterweight King Ray Robinson are listed as standouts in their classes in the annual year end rankings of all division.

Among the heavyweights, Louis still remains in a class by himself. Next come Walcott and Ezzard Charles of Cincinnati in that order.

A third group of heavyweights lists Lee Savold of Paterson, N. J who recently lost on a foul to England's Bruce Woodcock; Johnny Flynn of Rochester, N Y; Joey Maxim of Cleveland; Jimmy Bivins of Cleveland; Joe Kahut of Portland, Ore.; Rusty Payne of San Diego, Calif; Pat Valentino of San Francisco; Mello Bertina of Beacon, N. Y.; Joe Baksi of Kulpmont, Pa. and Woodcock.

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IT IS INTERESTING TO NOTE that the last three "fighters of the year" all lost their championships in 1948 Willie Pep, named in 1945, was stopped by Sandy Saddler, New York Negro, an event rated by Ring as the "surprise of the year." Tony Zale was beaten by Cerdan, a few months after he had regained the title from Rocky Graziano at Jersey City Zale was fighter of the year in 1946. Gus Lesnevich, the 1947 standout, knocked out Billy Fox in one defense of his light heavyweight crown but later lost it to Freddy Mills of England.

Castellani took the rookie award after a tight battle with several contenders The rangy Luzerne, Pa., middleweight moved into the main go ranks by winning seven straight fights since Jan. 15.

Louis Flattens Walcott in 11th
*(Round of the Year)*

# Erntex Wins 8th Straight; Maria Assunta Defeated

The scene was shifted but the results were the same.

That was about the story of the doubleheader at the Armory yesterday as Erntex chalked up its eighth straight victory and Maria Assunta suffered its second straight setback.

The past Sunday, Erntex traveled to Reading and whipped Clover Park, 60-52 On the same roll, Maria Assunta bowed, 65-40 to Shillington.

Yesterday, Erntex whipped Clover Park, 63-51 and Maria Assunta bowed to Shillington, 59-47

In the opener, Maria Assunta found itself outclassed from the word go The winners piled up a 13-6 advantage in the first period and then lengthened it to 29-18 at intermission

**From there on, it just wasn't a game. The Shillington five rolled for a score of tallies in the third stanza while Maria Assunta was scoring an even dozen and in the final 10 minutes, the winners threw in 20 more digits while Maria Assunta put up its best showing of the day with 16 counters.**

Bill Missimer, Maria Assunta forward led the scoring parade with 16 points while Hen Berger and Walt Stehman had 15 and 14 respectively for the winners

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IN THE NIGHTCAP, Erntex found the range in the second half, after trailing at intermission and zipped the cords with regularity to pull the game out of the fire

**Off to a sluggish start, the winners held a 6-4 advantage after the first period and then fell behind, 21-17 at halftime as Clover Park began to find the range.**

In the final 20 minutes of play, Erntex threw 46 points through the hoop—23 in each of the final two stanzas and were piling away when the final whistle sounded

Monk Weber and Dick Bender led the winners attack with 15 and 12 points respectively while it was Weber and John Henry who carried the brunt of the second half attack which brought Erntex its victory

Henry had 10 points and played a brilliant contest on the defense

| Erntex | G | F | P | Clover Park | G | F | P |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Kovacs f | 0 | 2 | 2 | Krause f | 4 | 0 | 8 |
| Weber f | 6 | 3 | 15 | B Miller f | 2 | 1 | 5 |
| Stroup f | 3 | 0 | 6 | Carl f | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Henry f | 4 | 2 | 10 | Neff c | 7 | 0 | 14 |
| Trollinger c | 3 | 2 | 8 | Wisner c | 2 | 0 | 4 |
| Bredenbach g | 0 | 1 | 1 | Lawrence g | 3 | 1 | 7 |
| Bender g | 6 | 0 | 12 | Schaeffer g | 4 | 2 | 10 |
| Reinhart g | 4 | 1 | 9 | D Miller g | 1 | 1 | 3 |
| Totals | 26 | 11 | 63 | Totals | 23 | 5 | 51 |

Score by periods

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Erntex | 6 | 11 | 22 | 23—63 |
| Clover Park | 4 | 14 | 13 | 21—51 |

| Shillington | G | F | P | Maria Assunta | G | F | P |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Warner f | 3 | 2 | 8 | Fisher f | 2 | 0 | 4 |
| Stehman f | 7 | 0 | 14 | Missimer f | 8 | 2 | 18 |
| Berger f | 7 | 1 | 15 | Malone c | 3 | 1 | 7 |
| Foust f | 2 | 0 | 4 | Monaghan g | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Newhard c | 5 | 0 | 10 | Kovacs g | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| Hartzinger c | 2 | 0 | 4 | Baker g | 4 | 0 | 8 |
| Lutz g | 4 | 0 | 8 | Tetlow g | 3 | 1 | 7 |
| Aon g | 3 | 0 | 6 | | | | |
| Totals | 32 | 3 | 69 | Totals | 21 | 5 | 47 |

Score by periods

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Shillington | 13 | 16 | 20 | 20—69 |
| Maria Assunta | 6 | 12 | 13 | 16—47 |

## Two Local Teams Enter Tournament

Erntex and Maria Assunta have entered the Norristown YMCA Holiday Basketball tournament to be played throughout the final week of the year beginning with games tonight.

Erntex will meet Mirable AC of Norristown tonight at 9 o'clock in the first round.

Maria Assunta will meet the Norristown YMCA Conditioners at 9 o'clock tomorrow night

A total of 16 teams have entered the tournament which will end up with the finals to be played on New Years Day.

# DONOHOE QUITS AS COACH AT CARNEGIE TECH

### Hands in Resignation As Football, Basketball Mentor at Pitt School

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 26 (AP)—William (Wild Bill) Donohoe said today he will leave his head football and basketball coaching posts at Carnegie Institute of Technology, at the conclusion of his contract on July 1 1949

**Clarence (Buddy) Overend, athletic director of the Tartans, said he had received a letter of resignation from Donohoe on Dec 6 but had withheld receipt of its acknowledgement "to give Bill a chance to look around for a job"**

"Bill wrote me that he did not wish to make application for the positions he now holds," Overend said "He said he wanted to find a job where teaching would be his principal vocation"

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TOMORROW NIGHT Donohoe will direct his cagers against St Vincent college of Pennsylvania He will continue as boss of the basketball five the remainder of the season.

Donohoe will have served three years as grid and basketball coach when he leaves Tech next July His tenure has not been a happy one from the standpoint of won and lost records

**During his three years as football coach his teams lost 19 games and won one The single victory was a 7 0 upset win over Grove City in the finale of the 1948 season.**

The basketball record shows nine wins and 34 defeats Tech has won only one of five games played this season

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DONOHOE IS ONE of Tech's football immortals As a star halfback he led the Skibos to a 19-0 upset win over a great Notre Dame team in 1926 After securing his diploma, he coached football at St Francis college at Loretto Pa He then came to Pittsburgh where he coached and taught at Central Catholic High school for 13 years

Tech "de-emphasized" football in 1939 Donohoe dedicated the school's athletic policy this past season, declaring his gridders had less than an hour a day to practice

Dr Robert E Doherty, president of Tech who was hung in effigy during one student protest demonstration told the students the school had no intention of returning to "big time" football

# Wildcat Coach Plans To Substitute Freely

PHILADELPHIA, Dec 26 (AP)—Coach Jordan Olivar said today he expected to use a host of substitutes against Nevada in the Harbor Bowl game at San Diego on New Years Day

"We know a fresh second or third stringer is better than a tired regular," Olivar explained as he boarded the California-bound train with his squad of Wildcats.

Olivar said his substituting is determined by a grading system that determines how long each man can play his best before he tires The grades are obtained by the Villanova coaching staff's studies of films of games played.

# Luptow Wins 4th Straight Feature Auto Race

TAMPA, Fla., Dec 26 (AP)—Frank Luptow of Detroit won his fourth straight weekly automobile race at Speedway park today

Jockeying for the edge at the gun was so close that there were nine false starts.

Luptow broke away for a length lead on the tenth start and stayed in front the entire 7½ miles His time **was six minutes 21.46 seconds.**

# Bednarik Is Chosen As Lineman of Year

PHILADELPHIA, Dec 26 (AP) — Charles Bednarik All-America center from the University of Pennsylvania, has been named "Lineman of the Year" in a poll conducted by the Philadelphia Sports Writers Association.

Bednarik will get the award at the writers 45th annual banquet Jan. 31. He was chosen in a poll of 53 of the nation's top football coaches

Leo Nomellini, Minnesota, placed second in the balloting followed by Notre Dame's Bill Fischer and Oklahoma's Paul Burris.

**WINS SWEEPSTAKES**

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 26 (AP)—Alla Voy won the Mexican futurity today, the race upon which the Mexican sweepstakes was based.


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# SPORTS SECTION

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## Camera Makes Statuary of Basketball Action

**Besides exciting action, basketball games in Madison Square Garden are producing statue-like results in photos. At left Brooklyn St. John's Ray Dombrosky (22) twists gracefully to avoid Iowa State's Therol Peterson. St. John's drubbed the visitors 71-47. At right Oklahoma university's Bill Walters goes into a "Hands up!" stance to block City college's Myer Wittlin.**

# *Lloyd Mangrum, Ben Hogan Top Money Winners*

CHICAGO, Dec 26 (AP) — Lloyd Mangrum of Chicago and Ben Hogan of Hershey Pa, are golfdom's big money winners of 1948

Mangrum's winnings from all competition totaled $45,898, while Hogan, second in overall winnings with $36,812 was top man in P G.A. contests in which he picked up $32,112

The Chicagoan was second in the P G A list of money winners with $31,289.99.

Jimmy Demaret of Ojai, Calif, was third in both overall winnings and P G A. prizes, earning $26,074 99 of which $23,199.99 was won in association contests

As P G.A. top man, blazin' Ben Hogan also won the Vardon trophy and piled up most Ryder cup points during the year Ben's Vardon average of 69.3 strokes per round was made with a total of 5267 shots during 76 rounds His Ryder cup points totaled 916

# Missouri Valley to Leave For Cigar Bowl Today

MARSHALL, Mo., Dec 26 (AP)—The Missouri Valley college Vikings will board a bus here around 6 a m tomorrow for the first leg of their trip to Tampa, Fla, and New Year's Day football engagement with St Thomas college in the Cigar bowl

The Vikings have a regular season victory streak of 31 straight games

## Basketball SCORES

**SATURDAY'S RESULTS**
**COLLEGE**
Bradley 80 West Virginia 66
CCNY 90, Newark Rutgers 45.
Regis 47 Denver 46
**PROFESSIONAL**
**ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA**
Chicago 70, New York 64
Philadelphia 80, Boston 77
Baltimore 88, Providence 83
Washington 68 Fort Wayne 74
Rochester 90 St Louis 82
**AMERICAN LEAGUE**
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# Nevada Coaches and 7 Players Are Tied Up by Snow in Reno

BENO, Nev, Dec 26 (AP)—Three coaches and seven players of the University of Nevada's Harbor Bowl football team were stranded here today by Reno's heaviest snowstorm of a decade

Others of the 35-man squad were already in Southern California and expected to meet in San Diego tonight Nevada plays Villanova in the Harbor Bowl New Year's Day.

**Snow was eight inches deep in Reno early this evening, and falling so thickly that the football players' scheduled airplane departure was being postponed from hour to hour. The group had planned to take off for San Diego at 8 a. m.**

Nevada coach Joe Sheketski said the weather bureau promised the delay would not be prolonged much longer, and that the team would be able to assemble as planned to begin workouts at San Diego tomorrow forenoon

Waiting here with Sheketski and the seven players were assistant coaches Dick Evans and Hugh Smithwick The other players had been spending the holiday weekend visiting relatives or friends in Las Vegas Los Angeles San Diego and other Southern California cities.

**PITCHING GREAT DIES**

FORT WORTH, Tex., Dec 26 (AP)—Joe Pate 54, all-time Texas league pitching great who spearheaded the highest championship streak in minor league annals, died today.

Army's basketball team has scheduled four road contests during the 1948-49 season against Swarthmore, Pennsylvania, Princeton and Navy.

# Rain Washes Out East-West Drills

SAN FRANCISCO Dec 26 (AP)—Heavy rain washed out the outdoor practice of both the East and West teams today, preparing for the annual charity football game here New Year's Day.

The two squads worked indoors Eastern stars, at the University of Santa Clara, listened to blackboard talks by coaches Andy Kerr, Russ McClaughry and Bernie Bierman

Western players ran through plays in the Stanford gymnasium

After a week's practice, the two eastern lines now shape up as follows

A LINE Left end, John Rogers, Cornell, left tackle Phil O'Reilly, Purdue, left guard, Bill Fischer, Notre Dame, center, Dick Woodward, Iowa; right guard Dave Templeton, Ohio State, right tackle, Ralph Kohl, Michigan; right end, Ed McNeill, Michigan.

B LINE Left end Dale Armstrong, Dartmouth left tackle, Al De Rogatis Duke, left guard, Dante Simon, Penn State; center, Warren Bison, Minnesota; right guard, Dolph Tokarczyk, Duke; right tackle John Finney, Penn State, right end, William McPeak, Pittsburgh

# Ray Evans to Marry College Sweetheart

KANSAS CITY, Kas Dec 26 (AP)—Ray Evans, 1947 All-America halfback who played with the National Football league's Pittsburgh Steelers this year, will marry his college sweetheart, Edith Marie Darby, early next Spring

Their engagement was announced yesterday


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# UNBEATEN SLATE RETAINED BY 22 QUINTETS

### Washington State, Bradley And Kentucky Continue As Top Teams in Country

NEW YORK, Dec 26 (AP)—The terrific pace of the game and high-powered schedules have combined to chop the list of unbeaten major college basketball teams to 22 today By next week the list is liable to be halved.

Eight quintets fell for the first time the past week, mainly in intersectional contests The victims were Michigan, Tulane, UCLA, Washington, Yale, William and Mary, Georgia and Georgia Tech.

**Among the powers with perfect records are Washington State, 10, Bradley, 9, Stanford, 8; Kentucky, 7 and Canisius, Dartmouth, Hamline, Indiana, La Salle, Purdue, Villanova, Lawrence Tech and Western Kentucky with 6 each; St. Louis, North Carolina and Minnesota, 5 each; Vanderbilt and Alabama, 4 each, and Cincinnati, Duquesne, Mississippi, 3 each, and Army 1.**

In addition there are many unbeaten squads among the minor outfits, including St Peter's of New Jersey with 8, Murray, Ky, with 7, and Akron, Hofstra and Rensselaer Poly, 5 each, and Westminster (Pa), 4.

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A FLOCK OF BIG-WIG schools fell quickly this year The past season Columbia, New York U and Fordham, all New York universities, went through most of the season without defeat This season Gotham hasn't a single big outfit with an all-winning slate.

**Only a few games were played Christmas night and only one all-conquering team, Bradley, risked its record. Bradley thumped a good West Virginia five, 80-66. Once-beaten CCNY bowled over Newark Rutgers, 90-45, and Regis upended disappointing Denver, 47-46.**

This week the carnage may be fearful.

There are tournaments all over the place, including a Pacific Coast conference jamboree in San Francisco the Sugar Bowl tourney at New Orleans, Los Angeles and Oklahoma City meets, a Big Seven tourney, and numerous doubleheaders in the big centers like New York's Madison Square Garden, Buffalo, Philadelphia and Indianapolis.

**CREWS LEAVE**

NEW YORK, Dec 26 (AP) — Four crews from Ivy league schools, Cornell, Pennsylvania, Princeton and Yale left by train today enroute to Florida and the second annual Palm Beach regatta.


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# North and South Divide Pair of Holiday Games

NEW YORK, Dec. 26 (AP) — If either the South or North produces a better brand of college football than the other, the first two games of the holiday "bowl season" failed to prove it.

A team of hard-picked stars from above the Mason-Dixon line took the field at Montgomery, Ala, yesterday and defeated an all-star Southern aggregation, 19-13, in the annual renewal of the Blue-Gray game.

But a few hours later a collection of star players gathered from all over Dixie leveled matters by thumping Northern representatives in the North-South charity game at Miami's Orange bowl, 24-14

**Some more fuel to the long-winded argument over sectional supremacy, of course, will be added this week when 18 bowl games will be played at scattered points.**

Vero Kissell, hard-running Holy Cross fullback, furnished most of the momentum for the Blues' triumph over the Grays at Montgomery.

He smashed out 63 yards in 14 running attempts to share offensive honors with George Guerre, 157-pound scatback from Michigan State.

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ED FINN OF BROWN was the Blues' passing specialist and he outshone the Grays' aerial ace, Bobby Thomason of Virginia Military academy

The Grays got both their touchdowns after enemy fumbles Huey Keeney of Rice tallied the first from the two-yard line in the first period Russell Inman of Auburn scored the other in the third after snatching a loose football.

**The Blues scored twice in the second period on passes by Finn—a nine-yarder to end Robert Heck of Purdue and a 22-yarder to Kissell Wisconsin's Wally Dreyer plunged over from the two in the fourth period for the clincher.**

At Miami George Blanda of Kentucky led the southerners to a last half rally that netted three touchdowns and a field goal

Tex Furse of Yale, passing, and Frank Lovuolo of St Bonaventure, receiving set up the first touchdown for the North and scored it on a two-yard heave in the opening period.

Furse also tossed a pass good for 51 yards to Jim Dooleman of Holy Cross for the Norths other score in the final period

## HOCKEY RESULTS

**SATURDAY'S RESULTS**
**NATIONAL LEAGUE**
New York 2 Montreal 0
Toronto 2 Detroit 1
Boston 2 Chicago 1
**AMERICAN LEAGUE**
Cleveland 4 Indianapolis 0
Washington 4 Hershey 2
Pittsburgh 6 Philadelphia 2
St. Louis 3 Buffalo 2
Providence 8, Springfield 1
**SUNDAY'S RESULTS**
**NATIONAL LEAGUE**
Detroit 3 Montreal 1
Chicago 2 New York
**AMERICAN LEAGUE**
New Haven 2 Washington 0
Rhode Island 5 Springfield 2
Buffalo 3 St Louis 2

# PARALLEL SEEN BETWEEN DOBIE AND SUTHERLAND

### Both Famous Coaches Famed for Winners And Off-Tackle Plays

By WHITNEY MARTIN

NEW YORK, Dec 26 (AP) — Gil Dobie who died Thursday night and the late Jock Sutherland had more than a few in common during their long coaching careers

Both were Scotch and both had their full shares of the canniness generally associated with that nationality.

Both were long and lean and dour in demeanor, although each possessed a dry wit. The fact Sutherland was known as the Dour Scot and Dobie as Gloomy Gil indicates the impression they made upon those with whom they came in contact.

**The similarity didn't stop there, however. Each was convinced the off-tackle smash was the best offensive play in football, and each showed a meticulous attention to detail in the training of his teams.**

Dobie would spend hours working with a center or a guard until that man had mastered his assignment, and he would work with his backs endlessly on such apparently minor details as crossing the legs in stepping toward a hole in the line so that the runners would arrive at the designated spot at the opportune moment

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PERFECTIONISTS THEY both were. In fact this trait made them extremely chary in praising individual athletes Even the great George Flann failed to elicit more than a warm "Oh yes George is a nice boy" from the reticent Dobie

Both Sutherland and Dobie were famous for their lines They liked the big rugged type of lineman, but they didn't want them that way at the sacrifice of speed


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# Three Traffic Mishaps in Twin Boroughs Over Weekend Cause Damages to 5 Cars

J. Francis Yeager, 39, of Phoenixville RD 1, was placed under arrest on a charge of driving while under the influence of liquor following a crash on Bridge street, Spring City, Friday afternoon about 2 50 o'clock.

**According to police, Yeager, driving west on Bridge street, hit a car driven by Everett A. Brower, 159 First avenue, Phoenixville, just west of the intersection of Bridge and Church streets. Brower was going east at the time of the near head-on collision in which both cars were damaged. No one was hurt.**

Police Chief John Hanebury, who investigated, found Yeager nearly a square away stopped in the middle of the intersection of Bridge and Penn streets, where he placed him under arrest. Taken before Dr. C. E. Moser, Yeager was pronounced unfit to operate a motor vehicle.

He was locked up in Spring City police station in borough hall and was later released under bail at a preliminary hearing, to appear at a continued hearing tonight at 7 30 o'clock before Justice of the Peace Harvey A. Shakespeare.

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A SEDAN DRIVEN by John McGinithen, 17, of Spring City RD 1, formerly of Washington street, Royersford, damaged the parked car of Benjamin Turner, 312 Spring street, Royersford, yesterday morning about 11.20 o'clock.

**According to police, Turner's sedan was parked on Spring street opposite his home, where it was struck in the front by the car driven by McGinithen, who had turned left from Third avenue onto Spring street, making a wide turn as he turned. The latter car then cut to the left and hit Turner's car.**

McGinithen told Chief of Police Bryson Turner, who investigated, that his steering gear buckled. Police said McGinithen would be charged with reckless driving.

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TWO CARS were damaged, but neither driver was injured in an accident on Main street, between Second and Third avenues, Royersford, Christmas morning about 1 o'clock.

According to report to police, Charles D. Leedom, of Third avenue and Gay street, was going west as a car driven by Adolph Kappel, of 327 North Fifth avenue, was going east and skidded on the ice into the path of Leedom's car.

Fenders of both cars were damaged and Kappel's car had to be towed away The investigation was handled by Patrolman Richard Batters.

# Royersford Family Back From Ireland

Mr. and Mrs Thomas D Evans Jr., and two sons, Dick and Jack, 721 Main street, Royersford, who sailed for Ireland in November, returned home in time to celebrate Christmas here

The family sailed aboard the Britanic, from Halifax, Nova Scotia, instead of New York, Nov. 21, because of the longshoremen's strike, then in progress Arriving at their destination, Castlefinn, Northwestern Ireland, they visited Mrs Evans' father, David Crawford and found him improved from a recent illness.

Before returning home on the Queen Elizabeth, they visited various points of interest, including Londonderry, Belfast and the Giants' Causeway and London, England, arriving at New York the past Tuesday, after a five-day voyage.

# Traffic Cop' Ordered To Leave Royersford

Harvey "Dutch' Engle, who was arrested several weeks ago for trying to direct traffic in Royersford, was picked up again for the same offense Friday afternoon by Chief of Police Bryson Turner.

The police chief found him trying to direct the heavy flow of holiday traffic on Friday at Third avenue and Main street.

Engle drew 30 days in the county jail at Norristown for the first offense. This time, he was locked up in the local police station in borough hall and was released with a reprimand Christmas morning by the police chief, who ordered him to leave town.

## Twin-Boro Classified

**Deaths 1**

BECHTEL—In Souderton, on Thursday, Dec. 23, 1948, Rev. Henry G Bechtel, aged 70 years Relatives and friends are invited Tuesday to the short services at the home in East Vincent at 1 15 p m Further services in Vincent Mennonite church at 2 o'clock. Interment Vincent Mennonite cemetery Friends may call at the home Monday evening 7 to 9

**Card of Thanks 2**

DILKS

The family of the late Elsie E Dilks desires to thank the kind neighbors and friends for the assistance and sympathy, floral tributes and use of cars offered during their recent bereavement

**In Memoriam 3**

BECKWITH Emma J—In loving memory of my loving mother, who died Dec. 26, 1943.

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**Strayed, Lost, Found 10**

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# Church Directory

Royersford Grace Lutheran church announcements: tonight, 8 to 11 o'clock, teen-agers' dance at Spring-Ford Country club, young people of Royersford from Ninth grade up are invited as guests of the Luther league; tomorrow night, 8 o'clock, District B Luther league Christmas party and dance at Collegeville gymnasium, meet at the church at 7:45 o'clock; Thursday night, 6:30 o'clock, chapel choir rehearsal, 8 o'clock, senior choir rehearsal.

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Spring City Methodist church announcement: Wednesday night, 7 30 o'clock, prayer and praise service; Friday night, 9 o'clock, senior Youth Fellowship New Year's eve party.

# DEATHS - FUNERALS

Funeral services for Mrs Elsie E Dilks, 301 North Fifth avenue, Royersford were conducted in a funeral home at 367 Walnut street yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock by the Rev. Fred G Bangs, pastor of Royersford Baptist church. Interment was made in Fernwood cemetery. Bearers were America Capoferri, Sabotina and Anthony DiGuiseppe Ernest and Albert Capoferri and Henry Slawecki.

# Hospital Notes

The following were discharged from Phoenixville hospital

Catherine Seifert and Mrs. Edward Trego and son, Spring City, Mrs Patrick DeAngelo and son, Royersford.

VISITS PARENTS

Mrs. Rhonda Huddleston Lawton, Ohio, is spending the Christmas holidays in Royersford with her parents Mr and Mrs Clarence Foreman, 106 South Fifth avenue.

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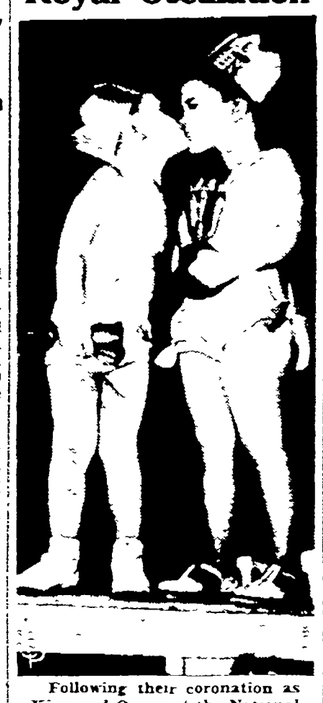

Following their coronation as King and Queen at the National Junior Swim for Health week ceremonies in Miami Beach, Fla., Albert Galian, 3, and Sheila Ann Pollard, 3, kiss for the benefit of news cameramen.

# Vincent Lodge Holds Annual Yule Party

The junior choir of Spring City Lutheran church furnished the musical entertainment for the annual Christmas party of Vincent Lodge 762, IOOF, in Odd Fellows temple Thursday night

Under the direction of Mrs William Rose, the choir, vested in cassock and cotta, in a candlelight procession sang "Hark the Herald Angels Sing" to open the program. The remainder of the program consisted of the following anthems by the choir:

"A Good Christmas Cheer"; "There Were Shepherds"; 'Hark, Hark, My Soul" and "Bright Star of Bethlehem."

Larry Bowman sang "Lord, Let Me Live Today" and "My Christmas Prayer." A quartet consisting of Barbara and Miriam Barndt, Patsy Rentschler and David Godshall sang "Beautiful Savior" and "Abide With Me' Barbara and Miriam Barndt sang "O Holy Night"

Patsy and Janice Rentschler sang "The Birthday of a King" and the choir concluded with "Come and Hear the Grand Old Story.' "O, Little Town of Bethlehem." 'Silent Night" and "Joy to the World"

The selections were announced by Jean Sufer.

During an intermission Santa was present to help in the distribution of the presents. Following the entertainment the group was served refreshments.

# INJURIES FATAL —

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urologist of Montgomery hospital, Norristown.

**The young man had moved to Pottstown in June, 1942, with his family. They came from their native Ringtown. Schuylkill county.**

Rather than change schools, Zimmerman quit school and took a job with the Jacobs Aircraft Engine plant After working there, he took a job with a manufacturing plant in Phoenixville where he worked as a truck driver until four months ago

His last job was with the Linfield Sanitary Company of America, Linfield, for which he drove a tractor-trailer truck

During the past two years he had also driven a coal truck independently on commission.

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HE WAS BORN in Zion Grove, Schuylkill county a son of Earl and Jennie (Ushafer) Zimmerman He was the husband of Margaret M (Florini) Zimmerman

**Also surviving are the following brothers and sisters: James, in the Army of Occupation, Japan; Mary Elizabeth, Philadelphia General hospital Philadelphia; Patricia, at home; the maternal grandmother, Elizabeth A. Ushafer, Tamaqua, and the paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Zimmerman, Ringtown**

The crash victim was a member of St Jerome's Catholic church, Tamaqua.

Requiem mass will be celebrated at 10 a. m. Thursday in Tamaqua with services in St Jerome's church and interment in St Jerome's cemetery there.

The estimated annual economic loss, resulting from arthritic diseases in the U S, is almost twice as great as the total 1947 budget for New York State.

# State Sanitary Board To Issue Orders On Sewage Plants

HARRISBURG, Dec. 27 (AP)—Several hundred Pennsylvania municipalities will soon face the headache of financing expensive sewage treatment systems.

This was disclosed today by the State Sanitary Water board which is directing the Commonwealth's vast clean streams program.

The board said the anti-pollution project is now moving out of the planning stage and that orders will be issued soon, setting deadlines for completion of construction of abatement systems.

**During the past four years the Board has sent out directives to about 525 Pennsylvania communities to abate pollution or submit plans for sewage works. Of this number, a Board spokesman said, some 140 already have submitted plans and about 20 have been approved.**

"The job now," the spokesman explained, "is to wind up approval of remaining treatment plans and clear the way for actual construction."

He said no figure was available on the total cost of construction of sewage works in State municipalities, but estimated it would probably run high into the millions of dollars. The construction deadlines will extend over several years, he added.

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COMMUNITIES along the Schuylkill river already have been ordered to complete construction of disposal plants by Jan 1, 1951

Meanwhile, 131 Pennsylvania communities preparing waste treatment plans, were racing against time today to avoid losing $790,500 in Federal appropriations.

Under the Federal Pollution act, communities are authorized to receive from the Government half the cost of preparing waste treatment plans

**The Federal Works agency recently set an April 15 deadline for the 131 participating communities in the State to win State approval of their plans. The agency said further Federal aid would be withheld to any failing to meet this deadline.**

The communities already have received a total of $790,500 in Federal grants. A similar amount is being withheld pending completion of plans by the April 15 deadline

The 1947 Legislature also appropriated $4,500,000 to cover half the cost of waste treatment plans by communities. None of the amount is payable however, until the projects are approved. The State has thus far appropriated about $550,000 from the fund.

# IMMIGRANT DIES —

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**he had amassed enough money. But even after he did lay aside the money, he put it off and then during the recent war and afterwards it was impossible for them to leave Russia.**

He was a member of Holy Trinity Russian Orthodox church, where some of the funeral services will be held Tuesday morning

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BELIEVED TO BE surviving, besides Mrs Philips, are his wife, Anna and sons, Pantalimon, Peter and John, and daughter, Anna, all of his native town, and two sisters, Pauline and Steffany, of Russia.

Funeral services will be held from the Phillips home at 8 15 o'clock Tuesday morning, followed by further rites in the church. The Rev. Jonah Malasevich, pastor, will officiate and interment will be in Holy Trinity Russian Orthodox cemetery.

# CHINESE —

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criminals" that included Fu President Chiang Kai-shek and most leaders of the Chinese government

**There still was no concrete indication of any top-level government design to try to end the war. Chiang still has full control of both the army and the government. He appears as determined as ever to fight the Reds to a finish.**

Military activities around Nanking continued to breed confused speculation of all sorts, however Foreign military observers said the Communists had the potential to smash the government lines north of the Yangtze and reach the river opposite Nanking at any time; yet they have delayed doing so

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NANKING TEEMED with government troops on the move, some freshly-uniformed and well-fed obviously were from the Hankow command on the southwest.

Others, ragged and weary, were from the broken Hwai river line about 100 miles north of Nanking.

Asked to explain what was up staff officers of Gen. Liu Tze, government commander on that front said they were "regrouping"

CARD OF THANKS

So many kind words and expressions of sympathy have come to me in my hours of sorrow that I wish to make public acknowledgement to the many relatives, friends, neighbors and organizations whom I can not reach otherwise.

These words of love have come from homes in every part of the town and many cities and have been comfort to a heart that seems breaking.

I also wish to express my thanks for the many beautiful floral tributes and the use of cars.

BLANCHE L. ENGLE

# Issues Warning

**Gen. Anastasio Somoza (above), strong man of Nicaragua, warned yesterday that his country will defend her territory if border clashes occur with Costa Rican troops.**

# WELLES —

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shock", Dr. Huffman said, but is "still in serious condition due to exposure." Mrs Welles and his son Arnold were at his bedside

**Dr. Huffman told reporters Welles might have fallen in the snow or might have suffered a heart attack. It was reported that when he regained consciousness at the hospital he complained of a severe pain in his chest. Huffman recalled that Welles had suffered a heart attack about 18 years ago.**

According to information pieced together from police and other sources, including servants in the Welles household, the former diplomat was in his library working on papers until midnight last night.

Shortly before midnight Welles told his butler, Arthur Campbell, that he would no longer need his valet and would summon a night watchman to take over

No one saw Welles after that, according to this account, until he was found in the field approximately eight hours later. However, at about 2 a. m. servants found the French doors of the library open, and the lights in the room still on, indicating that Welles had gone out

His action in this respect was not considered too unusual since, because of his insomnia, he was accustomed to take walks at odd hours. The night was clear but very cold At National airport a few miles away, a low of 15 degrees above zero was recorded early this morning.

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WELLES IS a tall slender, precise man, formal in manner and known in Washington as the perfect diplomat in appearance He was in fact one of the country's best known foreign service officers, entrusted with many top assignments by Former Secretary of State Hull and the late President Roosevelt before he broke with Hull and resigned from the State department in September 1943. In recent years he has occupied himself mainly with writing books on foreign policy and a newspaper column.

# LEADERS MOVED —

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**committee explained, however, that it apparently would be impossible for its observers to distinguish reliably between internal security measures taken by Netherlands forces and hostilities between Dutch and Republican units.**

Where the old truce lines no longer exist "it becomes virtually impossible to ascertain the position of the Republican forces, particularly in view of the capture by the Netherlands forces of the Republican high command," the committee said. It added

"As a result, it may become necessary to observe any events of a military nature throughout the islands of Java, Sumatra, and Madoera.

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DUTCH TROOPS now have swept over virtually all of Java and have seized most of the major productive areas of Sumatra. Madoen, the last major city of the Republic, was seized by the Dutch yesterday despite the cease-fire order

The committee said if negotiations are conducted each side must be free from coercion by the armed forces of the other.

Further, the committee pointed out that the Republicans "will be reluctant to accept as bonafide" any negotiations started with the area under their control reduced as a result of the Dutch drive The Security council's order did not require the Dutch to fall back to the old truce line which had existed for almost a year.

# PLANES BOMB —

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90 bombs dropped in the Gaza and Rafa areas.

It was virtually impossible here, even on this fourth day of reports of spreading battles, to get a factual picture which would balance with reports of Egyptians or U. N. observers.

# CIO, British Group To Discuss Plans For New World Unit

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26 (AP)—The CIO and British trade union group, spurred by the Soviet fight against recovery plans for Western Europe, will meet next month in London to discuss a new world labor federation.

The British and the CIO were charter members, along with the Russian trade union organization, in forming the World Federation of Trade Unions (WFTU). Policies of the WFTU have been disrupted by the clash between the Soviet and Western nations, however

**The AFL, up to now unwilling to take part in any world group along with its American rival, CIO, is watching the development with interest.**

There has been a marked shift in opinion among the AFL leaders in the past year which might lead to joint participation of the two big U. S federations—if the circumstances suit:

The AFL has invited the same British trade union chiefs to Miami for a conference beginning Jan. 31. The AFL's 15-member executive council gathers there at that time.

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BOTH THE AFL and CIO moves were dictated by their recent convention. The steps are significant and come at a time when the role of labor unions in world diplomacy is on the upswing Some Americans, like Eric Johnson, former head of the U S. Chamber of Commerce, have recommended appointments of some outstanding labor leaders as U. S. diplomatic representatives

**The top two U. S. Marshall plan representatives, W Averell Harriman and Paul Hoffman, both have praised the part played by the AFL and CIO in supplementing their work among the trade unionists of Western Europe.**

The CIO is sending four leaders to the British continent

They are CIO Secretary-Treasurer James B Carey, President Walter Reuther of the United Auto Workers, President L. S. Buckmaster of the Rubber Workers, and Secretary-Treasurer David J McDonald of the Steel Workers

The four will sail from New York on Jan. 8 and will be joined in London by Elmer Cope, the CIO member of the WFTU staff in Paris.

The CIO said in a formal announcement today that the London Conference is expected "to discuss the future policies of leading non-Communist labor movements, which in recent months have voiced increasing displeasure over the conduct of WFTU affairs"

# High Costs Fail to Check Hong Kong Building Boom

HONG KONG, Dec 26 (AP)—There has been a building boom here in the past few months Construction costs are still high — generally between 500 and 600 percent above prewar costs, though there have been cases where construction costs were as high as 1000 percent, and others as low as 200 percent of prewar averages

Labor in the building construction field is still almost 1000 percent higher. On the whole, however, since the beginning of 1947 the cost of building materials has fallen 10 to 15 percent

GAS STATION PIONEER DIES

COLUMBUS, O, Dec 26 (AP)—Harvey V Wickoff, credited by the Standard Oil company of Ohio with starting the first gasoline filling station in the United States, died here yesterday. He was 85

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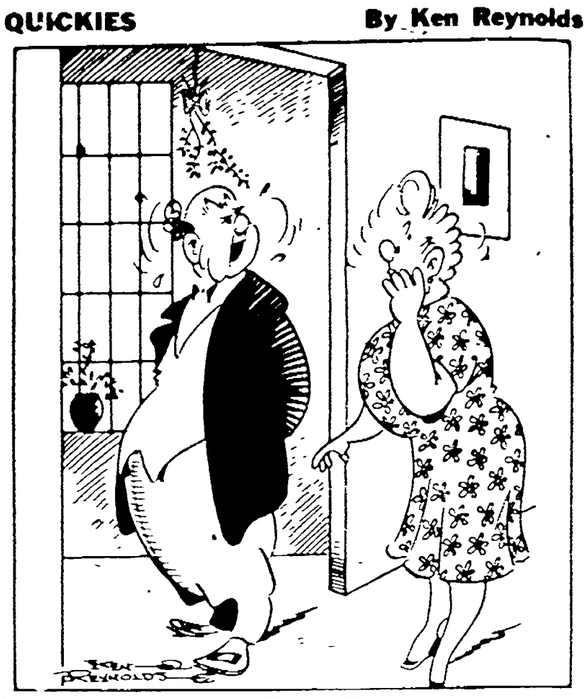

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Deaths 1**

HUTT — On Wednesday, Dec 22, 1948, Jesse Albert, husband of Eva L (nee Strunk) Hutt, age 70 years Relatives and friends are invited to the services from the Wolfendale Funeral Home, 466 N Franklin St., on Monday at 2 p m Interment in Pottstown West End cemetery. Friends may call at the funeral home Sunday evening from 7 to 9 (Wolfendale)

MYERS—In Pottstown on Saturday, Dec 25, 1948 Margaret F (nee Hughes) Myers, wife of Charles Myers, Spring Mount, age 56 years Relatives and friends are invited to the services from St John's Lutheran church, Sumneytown, on Wednesday at 2 p m. Interment in adjoining cemetery Friends may call at the Benner Funeral Home, Red Hill, Tuesday evening (Benner)

OLOCK—On Sunday, Dec. 26, 1948, Peter J., husband of the late Violet (nee Shekeras) Olock, age 65 years Relatives and friends are invited to the services from his late residence, 447 Laurel St., Pottstown on Thursday at 8 15 a m., Requiem High Mass will be celebrated in St John's Greek Catholic church at 9 a m. Interment in St Johns Greek Catholic cemetery Friends may call at his late residence Wednesday evening from 7 to 9 (Fleischmann)

WEIDENMOYER — On Thursday, Dec 23, 1948 Katie A (nee Saylor) wife of the late Franklin S. Weidenmoyer, age 76 years Relatives and friends are invited to the services from the Wolfendale Funeral Home, 466 N. Franklin St., on Tuesday at 2 p m. Interment in Schwenksville cemetery Friends may call at the funeral home Monday evening from 7 to 8 30 (Wolfendale)

WILSON—On Thursday, Dec 23, 1948 Richard A husband of the late May (nee Reed) Wilson, age 75 years Relatives and friends are invited to the services from Houck's Funeral Home, 112 N. Washington St Pottstown, Pa., on Tuesday, Dec 23 at 2 p m. Interment in Pottstown East End cemetery. Friends may call Monday evening 7 to 8 30 Full military rites by the American Legion (Houck)

ZIMMERMAN—On Saturday, Dec. 25, 1948 William G husband of Margaret M. (nee Florini) Zimmerman, age 22 years Relatives and friends are invited to the services from St Jerome's Catholic church Tamaqua, Pa., on Thursday, Dec 30 at 10 a m. where Requiem Mass will be celebrated Interment in St Jeromes Catholic cemetery. Friends may call at the Schaumacher Funeral Home 359 King St., Pottstown, Tuesday evening 7 to 9 (Schumacher)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Deaths 1**

BROOKE—In Philadelphia, on Friday Dec 24 1948 Hannah M. (Bertolet) widow of the late Robert G Brooke of Schwenksville RD age 75 years Relatives and friends are invited to the services from Schwenk Funeral Home, 24 W Philadelphia Ave., Boyertown on Wednesday at 2 p m Interment in Falmer Swamp cemetery New Hanover, Pa Friends may call Tuesday evening 7 to 9 (Schwenk)

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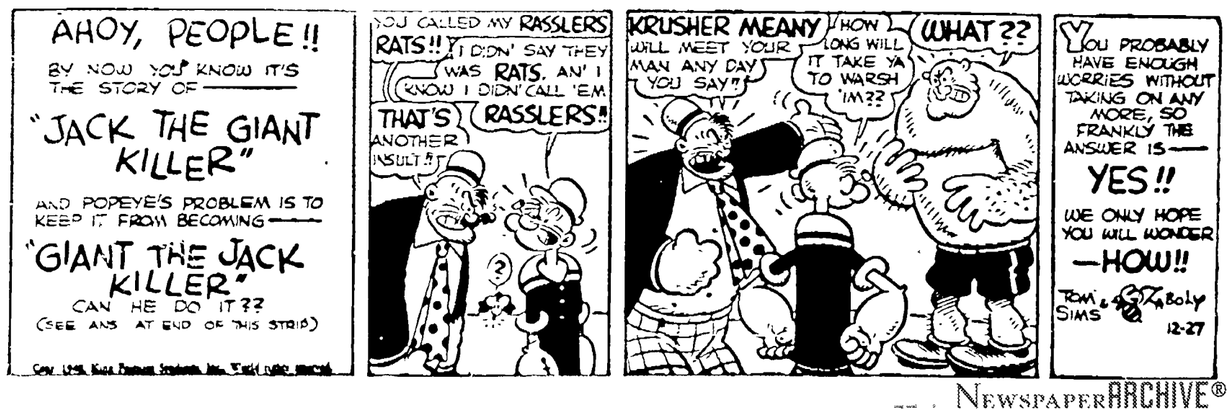


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## REAL ESTATE—SALE

**Houses for Sale 78**

NEW BUNGALOW, 4 rooms and bath, all conv., 8th and State Sts. For information. Call 1969-R.

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## REAL ESTATE—SALE

**Houses for Sale 78**

Semi-detached brick, about 3 years old, 3 bedrooms, bath, kitchen, combination dining and living room, garage, oil heat, northwest end of town. $8500. Phone 1169-W.

WALNUT ST.—5 room and bath brick stucco bungalow, steam heat, elec. hot water heater, corner property, 2 car garage, good condition. Possession.

SUNSET DRIVE—Single brick, 6 rooms, tile bath, modern kitchen, hardwood floors, automatic heat, attached garage.

NEW Bungalow near town, 2 bedrooms, living room, kitchen and modern bath, artesian well, large lot, $7500.

COUNTRY Home, 7 rooms and bath, all conv., including 15 acres.

MANTUA—6 room house, modern bath and kitchen, good buy.

CENTRAL Location, 6 room and bath brick home, hot water heat, large living room, 60-days poss.

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600 Block QUEEN ST. — 6 room brick, new hot water heat, all conveniences. $6900.

200 Block CHESTNUT ST.—6 room brick, semi-detached, all improvements. $5650.

Near HIGH ST.—Centrally located large storeroom, suitable for any type business, including apts. $16,000.

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G. I.'s, $850 Down, brand new 6 room brick semi-detached, tile kitchen and bath, hardwood floors, hot water heat.

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HILLCREST — 6 room brick, 1½ story bungalow, attached garage. $11,500.

NORTH END—7 room brick, all conveniences, oil heat. $6500.

SUBURBAN

ROUTE 663 — Near Pottstown, 6 room brick Cape Cod, all conveniences, basement garage, 3 acres. $13,000.

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4 MILES FROM POTTSTOWN, new 6 room masonry constructed bungalow, white brick outside, ¾ acre ground, good stream, bus in front of door. $8500.

DOUGLASSVILLE AREA — 1 acre ground, 8 room frame, all conveniences. A steal at $4750.

ROYERSFORD AREA—35 acres, 9 room stone home, all conveniences, outbuildings. $12,000.

GILBERTSVILLE—Dandy 4 room modern bungalow, attached garage, all conveniences. $6500.

NANTICO—45 acres, 7 room stone home, bath, 4 room tenant house. $8500.

EDGE OF POTTSTOWN — 6 room stone, electric and central heat, ¼ acre on Pottstown bus line. $7900.

CHESTER CO.—8 room stone, all conveniences, 34 acres of ground, ample chicken houses.

ROYERSFORD—New 7 room brick bungalow, basement garage, corner lot.

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## REAL ESTATE—SALE

**Houses for Sale 73**

On route 422, 2½ miles W. of Pottstown, 5 acres, 2 frame houses, cement block house, water and electric. Phone 250-J-11.

NEW BUNGALOW—5 rooms and bath, located on ½ acre plot of ground, close to town. Immediate possession. $7500.

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**Legal Notices 91**

THE SECURITY TRUST COMPANY
OF POTTSTOWN, PA.
The annual meeting of the stockholders of The Security Trust Company of Pottstown, Pa., for election of directors and transaction of any other business that may come before the meeting, will be held at the office of the said bank on Tuesday, the 18th day of January, 1949. Polls open from 1 to 3 p. m.
JOHN J. KESSLER,
Secretary

ANNUAL MEETING NOTICE
The Annual meeting of the stockholders of The Citizens National Bank and Trust Company of Pottstown for the Election of Directors and the transaction of such other business that may be presented, will be held at the Banking House on Tuesday January 11, 1949, between the hours of one and three p. m.
F. H. PETERMAN,
Cashier

NOTICE
The annual Stockholders Meeting of the FILES KEYSTONE AGRICULTURAL WORKS OF POTTSTOWN will be held Tuesday, January 11, 1949, at 4 p. m. for the election of a Board of Directors, and the transaction of such other business as may be presented.
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POTTSTOWN PASSENGER RAILWAY COMPANY
The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Pottstown Passenger Railway Company, for the election of a President and Directors to serve during

## Coast Guard Hopes To Save 2 Adrift Off Carolina Coast

MANTEO, N. C., Dec. 26 (AP)—The Coast Guard plowed through rough Atlantic seas tonight seeking to rescue two men believed adrift on the severed stern of an Argentine Tanker.

A few hours earlier the guardsmen removed 16 crew members from the bow of the El Capitan after a three-hour struggle in 20-foot seas, high winds and sub freezing temperatures off the treacherous North Carolina coast.

The captain of the tanker told officers aboard the rescue cutter, Cherokee, that he believed the two missing men were aboard the stern.

The El Capitan broke in two early today as she was being towed behind the tug Tern enroute from Savannah, Ga., to Baltimore shipyards. The tug maintained its tow line and after the removal of the crew from the stricken vessel, it proceeded toward Norfolk.

The S. S. Williamsburg reported by radio it had sighted the stern floating souteast of Diamond shoals lightship about 30 miles south of the rescue scene. The Williamsburg did not say whether signs of life had been noted aboard the wreckage.

## Won't Quit

Warren Austin (above) said yesterday in Key West, Fla., that he has no intention of resigning as head of the United States delegation to the United Nations.

**PART OF TOWN DESTROYED**

BOGOTA, Colombia, Dec. 26 (AP)—Press reports today said the business sector of Lorica, in Cartagena state, has been destroyed by fire. The dispatches said material losses were heavy but that no lives were lost. Lorica has a population of about 7000.

## Drivers Escape Injury In Christmas Night Crash

Two drivers escaped injury Christmas night when their autos crashed on High street between Rice and Quinter streets.

William E. Bell, of Stowe, told police that he was traveling east on High street when he was struck on the right front fender by an auto operated by Charles Kaufman, 635 High street, Stowe.

Bell said he was making a turn when the accident happened.

Police Sgt. Daniel J. Linton and Patrolman Stanley Borowy investigated.

**FIRE KILLS 20 MINERS**

PARIS, Dec. 26 (AP) — Twenty miners have lost their lives in a flaming coal pit at Ensdorf, near Saarbrucken, it was reported today.

**'CUE-BALL' THEFT BARED**

SAN MATEO, Calif., Dec. 26 (AP)—Thieves made a $1000 billiard ball shot today. They tossed the ball, wrapped in paper, through a jewelry store window and grabbed jewelry valued at that amount.


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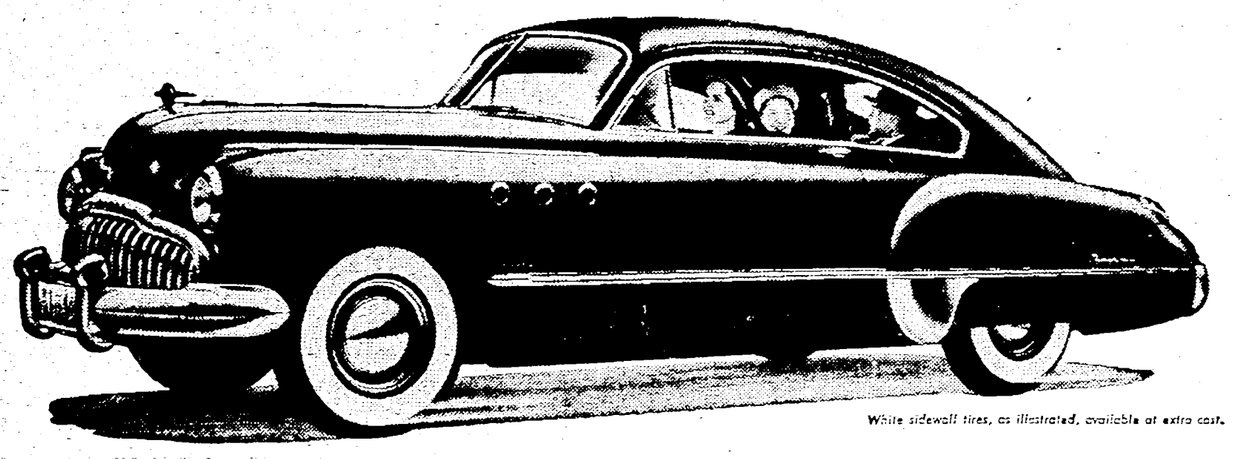

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3. **NO COMPULSORY TRADE-INS.** Selling used cars is part of our business. Naturally we like to take cars in trade. But you do not have to sell your car to us! *We will take your order, and deliver your car, without requiring a car in trade!*
4. **NO COLLUSION WITH "GRAY MARKETEERS."** We will not knowingly be party to a sale of Buick cars to any individual who operates in the "gray market." Our interest is entirely in delivering cars to bona fide customers.

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